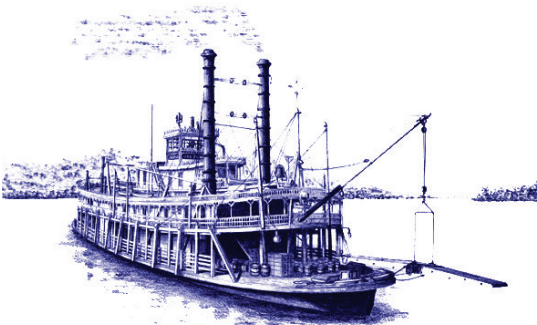




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Southwestern hires consultant to solve HVAC issues

BY BOB DEMAREE

HVAC problems at Southwestern High School and Middle School have plagued the building for the last few months, leading to the school board at its meeting Monday to approve a five-year service support agreement with Envelop Group that it hopes will bring a resolution.

“They will take a closer look at our system,” said Southwestern Superintendent Jeffrey Bates, who said Envelop representatives believe the problem is that different components of the system are not communicating. “Ultimately they think if we can get those areas to speak to each other that will take care of a lot of our problems. Eventually we will have to replace some of our equipment” but currently that’s expected to be minimal. “I think in the long run it’s going to save us money, and it’s going to be the best thing we can do instead of purchasing all new equipment.”

Envelop Group was represented at the meeting by Dennis Stockdale, a 1983 graduate of Southwestern and former Southwestern boys basketball coach who went on to work 16 years as a superintendent at two different school corporations.

“I inherited two school districts that were in bad shape facility-wise” when he was superintendent, exposing Stockdale to what’s required for the care of buildings. “I try to take the lessons I learned there, and try to apply to schools” in other places dealing with their building issues.

Stockdale said it might seem like the easiest solution to the HVAC problems is to install an entirely new system that could cost \$1-3 million, but he doesn’t think that’s necessary. “You don’t have to,” he said. “The system you have is good,” but needs to again be set up properly to get the controls communicating properly. Stockdale said the communication issues

results in “everything just running all the time” and not as it should, and cause breakdowns and malfunctions.

Envelop Group’s work will involve getting the system communicating the way it should, and helping determine what truly does and does not need to be replaced. “You need to get as much life out of the system as you can, and save as much money as you can,” Stockdale said. He expects that once the HVAC is functioning properly the school corporation will also see savings on its utility bill that will help pay for the maintenance agreement with Envelop Group.

Envelop Group states in its service agreement that maintenance tasks will reduce energy consumption, extend system component life and reduce operating costs, protect the value of the system, improve system performance, and more.

The contact is \$223,380 over the course of five years, taking

effect May 1 of this year with a \$68,880 investment in the first year then \$26,396 in the second year, \$37,836 in the third year, \$39,348 in the fourth year and \$40,920 in the fifth year.

Stockdale said the cost is highest in the first year because Envelop Group will initially “bring in a team to go through everything, to make sure everything is working. When they’re done before school starts” in August, “controls should be going, equipment should be going and you should have your schedules, you should have everything up so you’re monitoring and controlling the system.”

Corporation Treasurer Laura Boldery said the air conditioning has currently been out at the middle school while waiting for a part to arrive to get the chiller working properly.

Bates said he believes the chiller would not have malfunctioned if the school corporation already had the service agreement in place and that Envelop

“would have been able to identify that things were not talking. That’s what caused the chillers to freeze up because things weren’t talking the way they were supposed to talk, so they shut down, and they froze.”

Stockdale said the service agreement will also provide training for the school corporation’s new maintenance director on the HVAC system. “We’re trying to put everything in place to help whoever you hire,” he said.

Southwestern is currently in the process of hiring a new maintenance director to replace Roger Bickers who is retiring effective May 30.

School Board President Rick Stockdale said selection of the new maintenance director has been narrowed to four finalists.

The vote for the service agreement was 4-0 with John Jones, Laci Deputy, Jonathon Simpson and Misty Jacobs voting in support, and Rick Stockdale abstaining since Dennis Stockdale is his cousin.



Walkers pass by the City of Madison’s Riverview Campground Wednesday on Vaughn Drive. Access remains closed to campers in the aftermath of last month’s Ohio River flooding that left more than a foot of water in the bathrooms and covered the RV spaces in muck and debris.

City gears towards end of May for opening of flood-impacted sites

BY BOB DEMAREE

The city of Madison is still hard at work cleaning up damage from flooding on Madison’s riverfront that includes Riverview Campground, Hargan-Matthews Park, Crystal Beach Aquatic Center and the Bicentennial Park restrooms.

Madison Mayor Bob Courtney said Wednesday afternoon that Crystal Beach Aquatic Center will open as scheduled during Memorial Day weekend with the campground, park and restrooms all targeted to open by the end of May.

Riverview Campground is a revenue generator for the Parks

and Recreation Department that opened April 1 but closed the next day when weather conditions caused flooding. Damage from that flooding has necessitated that the facility remain closed. “Our plan is to open by the end of May” in getting the camp sites cleaned up, and getting the restrooms back in use after the flooding made them “very dirty with loads of mud.”

He said one issue at Hargan-Matthews Park is ensuring that the turf and fall zone areas are safe, along with getting the area cleaned up.

The city was in the process of renovating the restrooms at Bicentennial Park when they were flooded, and now some of that work must be redone including replacing flooring and painting.

Courtney commended the job city workers have done with all that’s been thrown at them in responding to damage from the flooding. “It has been quite an ordeal” but they have all been working through it. “Our team has been great to work with it,” and doing what’s necessary to make all the repairs and do the clean up.

New arrest made in Hanover fatal stabbing

Evidence clears Louisville man of charges

BY THE COURIER STAFF

An Ohio man has been arrested in connection with the April 14 stabbing death of a 35-year-old Hanover woman and the man originally charged in that crime has been cleared of charges and released from jail.

Nigel Perry Thomas, 34, of Oxford, Ohio, was charged with the murder of Robertson. He was arrested Friday, April 25 in Oxford and lodged in the Butler County Jail in Ohio pending an extradition hearing. Once released by authorities in Ohio, Thomas will be transported to Madison and face an initial hearing and charges in Jefferson Circuit Court.

An investigation by law enforcement revealed



Nigel Perry Thomas

that Thomas, who goes by the name “Nati Bang,” allegedly stabbed Wilma Robertson in her Hickory Drive home. Thomas then allegedly engaged in an elaborate plan to frame Shawn Bailey for Robertson’s death, and fabricated evidence to incriminate Bailey, including the creation of multiple social media accounts in Bailey’s name. Thomas then used those accounts to send out messages to relatives of Robertson purporting to be Bailey admitting to the murder.

Bailey, 33, of Louisville, was previously arrested on April 15, for the murder of Robertson. Charges were dismissed against Bailey and he was released from custody on Friday, April 25, based upon new evidence that included DNA analysis excluding him as a suspect.

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Spring property taxes due May 12

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Spring property taxes are due in Indiana by Monday May 12. Taxes in Jefferson County can be paid in person at the Treasurer’s Office in the Courthouse during regular hours.

To avoid long lines at the Courthouse, you may pay at German American Bank, Farmer’s Bank of Milton or Friendship State Bank with your tax coupon, mail a check or certified funds to P.O. Box 99, Madison, IN 47250, or pay online at www.jefferson-county.in.gov with a 2.5%

fee for credit card payments and a \$1 per parcel fee for E-Check payments.

There is also a drop box at the Main Street entrance to the Courthouse but payments must still be made by the deadline. Late payments will incur a 5% late fee. After June 9 all late payments will be assessed a 10% late fee.

The 2025 fall installment will be due Monday, Nov. 10. Sign up for text message alerts by texting the word TAXES to 77295 to receive important property tax reminders.

Sutter prosecutes conviction of ex-Morgan County Attorney

BY THE COURIER STAFF
A former Martinsville council member who also served as the Morgan County attorney was sentenced to nine years prison Friday, April 25, after being convicted of seven counts of Level 6 felony theft in a case prosecuted by Jefferson County’s David Sutter serving as special prosecutor.

James Kent Wisco was sentenced by Special Judge Steven



James Kent Wisco

H. David in the Morgan Superior Court 2, convicting Wisco of seven counts of Level 6 felony theft, totaling \$164,489.32.

“Wisco’s actions betrayed the trust placed in him by his clients, his colleagues, and the legal profession itself. His thefts not only harmed individuals financially, but also undermined confidence in our judicial system,” said Sutter. “I commend the efforts of the Indiana

State Police. Thanks to the thorough and dedicated investigation of Detective Tim Denby, we were able to uncover the full extent of the misconduct and bring accountability to a case that strikes at the heart of our legal community.”

The investigation led by Denby with the Indiana State Police Special Investigations Section, began in late December of 2023. Evidence uncovered during the investigation revealed that Wisco had stolen money from multiple clients

that had been placed in his trust account. Additionally, Wisco was found to have stolen money from the trust account of one of his law partners. The investigation revealed that Wisco had gambled away all the money that he had stolen at multiple casinos.

Wisco’s 9-year sentence includes four years at the Indiana Department of Correction and five years suspended. He was ordered to report for the executed portion of his sentence on May 12.

Wisco has been suspended from practicing law by the Indiana Supreme Court since June 19, 2024.

“While the convictions hold Wisco accountable for his breach of trust, the hope is that he uses the opportunity afforded to him to make full restitution to the victims following serving the executed portion of his sentence. Restoring what was taken is a critical step toward repairing the harm he caused and helping rebuild public trust,” Sutter said.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

LODGINGS April 28, 2025

Kevin T. Leep, 39, on a Jefferson County warrant for probation violation. Bond \$5,000 cash.

Jason Todd Renschler, 47, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

April 30, 2025

Nigel Perry Thomas, 35, Cincinnati, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. No bond.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT

SENTENCINGS April 28, 2025

Alexis Hernandez, 23, Hanover, for Operating a Vehicle Without a Valid License, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation with probation to terminate upon proof of a valid license, plus \$289.50 in fees and court costs.

Brittany Nicole Austin, 28, Hanover, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$389 in fees and court costs,

Duane L. Sexton, 55, Mt. Washington, Kentucky, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor, and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days for marijuana concurrent to 60 days for paraphernalia, all suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$589 in fees and court costs.

David Brandon Burgin, 39, Waddy, Kentucky, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor, and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Brandi Renee Bell, 42, Madison, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, all suspended to 365 days supervised probation plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Estebon Cruz Aguazul, 22, Hanover, to an amended charge of Operating a Vehicle Without a Valid License, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation with probation terminating upon proof of a valid license plus \$289.50 in fees and court costs.

Christopher N. James, 48, Madison, to an amended charge of Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor, and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail on the Class A misdemeanor concurrent to zero days jail on the Class C misdemeanor, and placed on 365 days supervised probation plus \$489 in fees and court costs.

Jessica R. Spicer, 43, Deputy, Indiana, to amended charges of Possession of Legend Drug, a Level 6 felony; and Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the felony, all suspended to supervised probation; consecutive to 4 days jail on the misdemeanor, served plus \$589 in fees and court costs.

April 29, 2025

Clinton Daniel Stivers, 44, Madison, to an amended charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 60 days jail, with credit for 4 days jail serve and 176 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$489.50 in fees and court costs.

Andrew Jay McCrobie, 34, Madison, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 210 day jail served, plus \$789 in fees and court costs.

Mackenzie Nicole Parish, 25, Madison, to an amended charge of Domestic Battery, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction, with credit for 6 days jail served and 359 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$639 in fees and court costs.

Wesley Aaron Kellen, 34, Hanover, to amended charges of Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor, and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 2 days jail on each count, served, plus \$689 in fees and court costs.

Taryn Nicole Bomar, 36, Madison, for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, with credit for 4 days jail serve and 361 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$589.50 in fees and court costs and driver’s license suspended for 30 days.

Roland Vicente Gayoso, 47, Hanover, for Operating While

Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 6 days jail served and 359 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$589.50 in fees and court costs and driver’s license suspended for 30 days.

Kyle William Brzezinski McKay, 19, Madison, to amended charges of Resisting Law Enforcement, a Level 6 felony with Judgment of Conviction entered as a Class A Misdemeanor, and Operating Without a Valid License, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail for resisting, with credit for 4 days jail served, consecutive to 60 days jail on the operating without a license charge, all suspended to 365 days supervised probation. Placed on a combined 726 days supervised probation plus \$389.50 in fees and court costs.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS Jefferson County April 25, 2025

Phillips Development Inc. to Stephen P. Allen and Lisa K. Allen, 155 West Greene Court, Hanover.

Gladys Lorene Lyons (trustee) and Gladys Lorene Lyons Trust to Gladys Lorene Lyons Trust, 2332 Indiana Avenue, Madison.

Graylon R. Long to James Allen Rutledge Jr., 3996 North Wiggan Cemetery Road, Deputy.

Everhart REI LLC to Daryan Couch and Granvel Noble, 237 Sharp Street, Hanover.

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Suggett Schmidt Farms LLC to Williams Power LLC, 10 acres at 400 North Paper Mill Road, Madison.

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Mark Prickett to Richard Coghill and Dixie Coghill, 721 Walnut Street, Madison.’

Carolyn S. Schneider to Carolyn S. Schneider, Chanda Austin and Kenneth Stanley Jr., 3350 North Quail Drive, Madison.

Anthony L. Hammock, Lisa G. Hammock and TAS Investment LLC to Hammock Farms LLC, two tracts at 7500 North Middleford Road, Dupont.

Anthony L. Hammock, Lisa G. Hammock and TAS Investment LLC to Hammock Farms LLC, 305 West Cardinal Court, Madison.

Phillips Development Inc. to Rhonda Knapp, 151 South Paine Street, Hanover.

Gregory K. Goldsmith to Joanne Poole, 843 South Deer Bend Drive, Hanover.

Randall L. Moore and Alma Jane Moore (estate) to Gracie True, 308 Laurel Lane, Madison.

Albert R. Scully and Marilyn L. Scully to Albert R. Scully and Marilyn L. Scully (trustees) and Albert and Marilyn Scully Revocable Trust, 10 parcels totaling approximately 306 acres at 5510 and 530+ North Inverness Road Deputy and 4500 and 4500+ 933 West Deputy.

Albert R. Scully and Marilyn L. Scully to Albert R. Scully and Marilyn L. Scully (trustees) and Albert and Marilyn Scully Revocable Trust, a total of 8 parcels totaling approximately 415 acres at 3768, 4200+, 4500+, 4544 and 4700+ North 933 West, Deputy.

Ian Hagan and Anthony D. Crask to Susan Marie Lyons, 242 Cedarwood Drive, Madison.

CFMJC awards \$100,000 to new EMS Transport Hub

BY THE COURIER STAFF
The Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County Inc. (CFMJC) has awarded the Norton King’s Daughters’ Health Foundation (NKDHF) \$100,000 to support the creation of a new EMS Transport Hub.

This is a multi-year grant to help build the classrooms and conference center within the hub. The CFMJC Board of Directors approved this pledge

because they understand how crucial emergency medical services are in providing vital, often lifesaving, pre-hospital care.

“Our Board of Directors greatly appreciate these first responders and wanted to support their work which covers every person in Jefferson County,” said CFMJC President and CEO Bill Barnes.

Grants of this size and nature are made possible by Flexible

Community Funds, which give the Grants Committee and Board of Directors flexibility to address ever-changing needs of Jefferson County’s residents.

“We are truly grateful for the support of the Community Foundation for their generous \$100,000 pledge toward building a new EMS transport hub to strengthen emergency services in our community,” said NKDHF Director Rachel Sharpe.

The new, more strategically located EMS Transport Hub will include, with the classrooms and conference center for training, an expanded garage, upgraded technology, and improved quarters and facilities for the first responders.

Established in 1991 by a group of local volunteers, the Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County fulfills the mission of building a strong, vibrant community by helping donors

provide perpetual funding for the people, projects, and passions of Jefferson County.

For more information about the Community Foundation, visit www.cfmjc.org, contact Bill Barnes at 812-274-0241, or email bill@cfmjc.org.

For additional information on the NKDH EMS Transport Hub project, contact Rachel Sharpe at 812-801-0555, or email rachel.sharpe@nortonhealthcare.org.

ARREST

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“The criminal justice system is ultimately a search for the truth. Mul-

multiple agencies across three states worked tirelessly in their pursuit of all investigative leads to uncover the crimes of Nigel Thomas and clear Shawn Bailey,” said Jefferson County Prosecutor David Sutter.

Sutter said expedited testing performed by the Indiana State Police Laboratory was crucial in the investigation.

The Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office and Indiana State Police are being assisted in the investigation by the Town of Hanover Police Department, the Jefferson County

Coroner’s Office, Jefferson County 911/Central Dispatch, the Jefferson County Prosecutor’s Office, the Louisville Metro Police Department, the U.S. Marshals Service, the Jeffersonville Police Department, the Oxford Ohio Police Department, and the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation.



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INDIANA
Hoosier Lotto: 10-20-32-36-43-45 (4/26). Estimated Jackpot: \$2.8 million. Next Drawing (4/30).
Cash Five: 3-4-5-15-24 (4/29)
Cash 4 Life: 8-14-32-54-60 CB: 1 (4/29)

KENTUCKY
Cash Ball: 4-7-13-33 CB 8 (4/29)
Lucky For Life: 24-25-39-43-45 LB:

13 (4/29)
MEGAMILLIONS: 16-33-40-51-57 MB: 10 (4/29). Next Jackpot: \$80 million.Next Drawing (5/2)
POWERBALL: 26-43-51-56-60 PB: 24, PP 4 (4/28). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$30 million. Next Drawing (4/30)
POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY: 11-13-39-48-61 PB: 3 (4/28). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (4/30)

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Sunrise: 6:41 a.m.
Sunset: 8:35 p.m.
Temperature: High 81, Low 65, Mean 73.0, Excess 18.4
Precipitation since last published: .10
Precipitation, April 2025: 8.49
Precipitation, 2025: 24.86
Barometer: 29.85, Falling
River Level at Clifty Creek: 427.0, Steady
Forecast: Saturday: Showers High 62/Low 46; Sunday: Showers High 54/Low 47; Monday: Mostly cloudy High 60/ Low 47; Tuesday: Partly cloudy High 68/Low 50.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Editor’s Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

BIRTHDAYS

MAY 3
Dave Adams

MAY 5
Lane Penick

MAY 6
Jessica Butler

MAY 7
Rodney Nay

MAY 8
Pamela Bechman
Mike Cheatham

ANNIVERSARIES

MAY 3
Jeanie & Donald Sarver — 66

OBITUARIES

Casey Kellan Hilt



Casey Kellan Hilt, age 23, of Madison, IN, entered this life on Dec. 18, 2001, in Scottsburg, IN. She was the biological daughter of Richard K. Hilt and Edith Michelle Murphy Hilt. She was raised by Lawrence William Mikesell, Sr. and Tracy Dawn Tucker Gunter and her step mom Kellie Mikesell and her step dad Chadwick Gunter. She graduated from Southwestern High School Class of 2021, where she ran cross country and played soccer. Casey had worked for Girls Inc., Boys and Girls Club and Frisch's Big Boy Restaurant. She loved walking her dog, coloring, listening to music, singing, dancing, babysitting, and going to church. Casey enjoyed making TikTok videos and jumping on the trampoline. Casey died on Friday, April 25, 2025, in Madison.

Casey will be missed by her biological mother, Edith Michelle Murphy Hilt of North Vernon, IN; her parents that raised

her, Tracy Dawn Tucker Gunter of Madison, IN, and Lawrence William Mikesell, Sr. and his wife, Kellie of Madison, IN; her grandparents, Fred and Vonda Manaugh of Nabb, IN, Ken and Wanda Campbell of Hanover, IN, Joe and Vicki Clemens; her brothers, Lawrence William Mikesell, Jr. and his fiancée, Nicole of Indianapolis, IN, Austin Matthew Mikesell and his wife, Sara of Franklin, IN, Ryan Matthew Furnish and his wife, Danielle of Oklahoma City, OK, Malachi Cole of Indianapolis, IN; her sister, Cherokee Gunter of Madison, IN; her nieces and her nephews, Lyra, Carter, Amelia, and

Fallon; several aunts, uncles, cousins, and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her biological dad, Richard K. Hilt, her father who helped raise her, Chadwick "Chad" Gunter, her grandparents, Don and Rosilda Mikesell, Della Marts, and Glenn Tucker, Jr.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 2, 2025, at 1 p.m., by at the North Madison Church of Christ, 3008 Clifty Drive in Madison. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North U.S. 421 in Madison.

Friends may visit Friday from 10 a.m. — 1 p.m., at the North Madison Church of Christ, 3008 Clifty Drive in Madison, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to Girls Inc., or the Boys and Girls Club. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Roy Wesley Heron



Roy Wesley Heron, age 78, of Madison, IN, entered this life on Oct. 8, 1946, in Detroit, MI. He was the loving son of the late Millard and Estelle Spitzer Heron. He graduated high school in Livingston, MI, and was inducted into the United States Army on Feb. 21, 1966, in Detroit, MI. He served in the 76th Hem Company during the Vietnam War and rose to the rate of Specialist Five. He was honorably discharged on Nov. 26, 1968, in Fort Knox, KY, receiving the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, the Parachute Badge, and the Sharpshooter Badge. He returned home and went to Judson College and received his bachelor's degree. He wore many hats during his lifetime working as a substitute teacher, door to door salesman, security guard, and a nuclear power plant welding inspector. He moved to Jefferson County, IN, in 1980, and worked for Rotary Lift for several years and then last worked for the Social Security Administration. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, hunting, photography and country music. He had been a dance instructor, having taught line dancing, two

step and clogging. He had held membership in the Madison Moose Lodge, the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion, the Patriot Guard, the Southern Cruisers, the book club, the Free Thinkers, and had served as the Commander of Madison VFW Post 1969. He was proud to have led the project to the new building for the VFW Post. Roy died on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 2:36 a.m. at the Water's of Clifty Falls in Madison, IN.

Roy will be missed by his loving sons, Jason Heron of Madison, IN, and Kurt Heron and his companion, Denyse Hall of Madison, IN; his granddaughter, Keely Lange (Dan); his great grandchildren, Roy Daniel Lange and Lanah Estelle Lange; his step grandchildren, Jacob Hall, Paige Kinsler, and Jordan Kinsler; his step great grandson, Cooper

Burton; his brother, Daniel Heron of MI; his sisters, Nancy Watson of MI, and Gail DeLashmutt of Louisiana; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Millard Heron, his mother, Estelle Spitzer Heron, and his brother, Mark Heron.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 1 p.m., by Chaplain Mike Bath at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery Chapel, 1415 North Gate Road in Madison, IN. Inurnment will follow in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1415 North Gate Road in Madison, IN.

Friends may call Tuesday from 12 — 1 p.m., at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery Chapel, 1415 North Gate Road in Madison, IN.

A final salute with military honors will be provided by the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Madison, VFW Post 1969. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Christopher A. 'Chris' Taylor



Christopher A. "Chris" Taylor, age 63, of Madison, IN, entered this life on Jan. 30, 1962, in Madison, IN. He was the loving son of the late Donald and Lucille Smith Taylor. He resided all of his life in Madison, and was a 1980 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School. On Feb. 21, 1986, he was united in marriage to Rebecca A. "Becky" Schmidt at the Jefferson County Courthouse. This happy union of 39 years was blessed to raise a son, Steven, together. He began a career right out of high school with the City of Madison, and retired as a greens keeper after 42 years of service. He was a member of the Madison Moose Lodge No. 765. Chris enjoyed listening to music, was an avid Cincinnati Reds Baseball fan, and Cleveland

Browns fan. In his younger days, he enjoyed fishing and hunting. Chris died on Sunday, April 27, 2025, at his home in Madison, IN.

Chris will be missed by his loving wife of 39 years, Rebecca A. "Becky" Schmidt Taylor of Madison, IN; his son, Steven Schmidt and his wife, Jami of Worthington, OH; his grandchildren, Gracelyn and Braeden; his niece, Deanna Reed; his great-niece, Ashley; his

brother-in-law, Tony Schmidt and his wife, Jan of Apex, NC; his sisters-in-law, Julie Dwyer and her husband, David of Madison, IN, Susan Kelley and her husband, Bernard of Madison, IN; and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his father, Donald Taylor, his mother, Lucille Smith Taylor, and his sister, Donna Gray Reed.

Friends may visit Monday from 4 — 6 p.m., at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Mable Bernice Turner Schanding



Mable Bernice Turner Schanding, age 92, of Madison, IN, entered this life on July 1, 1932, in Sand Gap, Jackson County, KY. She was the loving daughter of the late Millard Ambrose and Martha Mae Durham Turner. She was raised in Sand Gap and attended school there later receiving her GED. She attended and graduated from the Kentuckiana Business College. On June 30, 1949, She was united in marriage to William Paul Schanding in Paris, KY. This happy union of 69 years was blessed with daughters, Karen and Mona, and a son, Paul Douglas. She worked early in life in Cynthia Kentucky at a jewelry store. The family moved to Madison in 1970, and Mable worked for Meyers MFG, U.S. Shoe Corp., and Conn Organ. She also worked for a time at Hammock's IGA in downtown Madison. She retired after 15 years of service with the Madison State Hospital from the dietary department. She loved to sew, quilt, garden, work in her flowers, and making her children's clothes. She was known for her beautiful table settings and caring for her family. Mable was a faithful member of the Madison First Church

of the Nazarene. Mable died on Sunday, April 27, 2025, at 10:33 a.m., at the Norton King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, IN.

Mable will be missed by her loving daughter, Karen Lewellyn (Doug) of Madison, IN; her loving son, Paul Douglas Schandin (Becky) of Saint Simons Island, GA; her loving son-in-law, Steve Crabtree of Vanceburg, KY; her grandchildren, Eric Crabtree (Lindsey), Sarah Lewellyn (Kris), Paul Schanding, and Lauren Schanding; her great-grandchildren, Abigail Crabtree, Harrison Crabtree, Xavier Pietrykowski, Magnus Pietrykowski and Eliza Mott; her sister, Mary Lou Crisci (Jerry) of Palatine, IL; her sister-in-law, Linda Turner of Fort Worth, TX, Judy Blethen of Richmond, KY; her brother-in-law, Donald Schanding of

Louisville, KY; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Millard Ambrose Turner, her mother, Martha Mae Durham Turner, her beloved husband of 69 years, William Paul Schanding, died Nov. 21, 2018, her daughter, Mona I. Schanding Crabtree, and her brothers, Noland Turner and Leroy Turner and a sister, Sarah Etta Harris.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, May 4, 2025, at 1 p.m., by Bro. Darin Edwards at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North U.S. 421 near Madison.

Friends may visit Saturday from 6 — 8 p.m., and Sunday from 11 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Madison First Church of the Nazarene. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Forrest Daryl Ellis, MD

Forrest Daryl Ellis, MD, age 93, of Aurora, IN, formerly of Zionsville, entered this life on Feb. 8, 1932, at home, in Deputy, IN. He was the loving son of the late Forrest Ray and Dorothy Louise Wilkerson Ellis. Dr. Ellis died peacefully on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 10 a.m. in Lawrenceburg, IN.

Dr. Ellis will be lovingly remembered as a father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

Memorial services will be conducted Monday, May 12, 2025, at 4:30 p.m., by Bro. Bob Hicks at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Interment will follow at a later date in the Pisgah Cemetery near Deputy.

Friends may visit Monday from 4 — 4:30 p.m., at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison.

A final salute with military honors will be conducted by the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online remembrances, condolences, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Janice Lee Handlon

Janice Lee Handlon, age 82, of Madison, IN, and the daughter of the late Simon and Mary Jane (Vaughn) Brown, was born on Nov. 21, 1942, in Logansport, IN. Ms. Handlon passed away on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at The Waters of Clifty Falls in Madison.

Her life will be cherished by her children: Mark Handlon of Madison, Robin Reid of Bedford, and Cathy Sullivan and her husband, Tim of Bedford; her grandchildren: Alan Handlon and his wife, Beth of Bedford,

Ashley Shields and her husband, Seth of Madison, Brandon Reid of Bedford, Alex Reid of Milton, KY, Hannah Reid of Madison, Kiera Reid of Bedford, Latasha "Tater" Horstman and her husband, Zach of Bedford, Andrea "Andi" Klare and her husband, Aaron of Bedford, Zachery Sullivan of Bedford, and Dani Sullivan of Bedford; nine great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her aunt, Lois Hankins, and

her grandson, Dustin Handlon.

Bro. Bill Waugh will conduct funeral services at 12 p.m., Monday, May 5, 2025, at Lytle Welty Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Vail Chapel, 117 Holt Drive, Madison, with interment to follow in Moffett Cemetery in Milton, KY. Friends and family may visit at the Lytle Welty Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Vail Chapel from 11 a.m., until the time of the service on Monday.

Online condolences can be made at www.lytlewelty.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Phillip Ray Bromwell, 79, of Carrollton, KY, died Monday, April 28, 2025, in Carrollton. Funeral services were Wednesday, April 30, at Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, with burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Kathleen Jo Bruce, 74, of

Hanover, IN died Wednesday, April 30, 2025, at Aperion Care Hanover. Arrangements will be announced by Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, IN, www.morgan-nay.com.

Bobby K. True, 90, of Bedford, KY, died Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at Norton King's Daughters' Health in Madison, IN. Arrangements

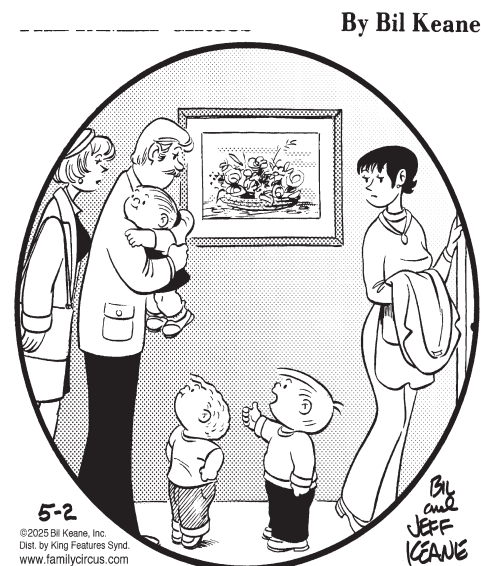
will be announced by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Roy Suter "Cookie" West Jr., 81, of Independence, KS, and formerly of Trimble County, KY, died Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 9, at Campbellsburg Cemetery, Campbellsburg, KY, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

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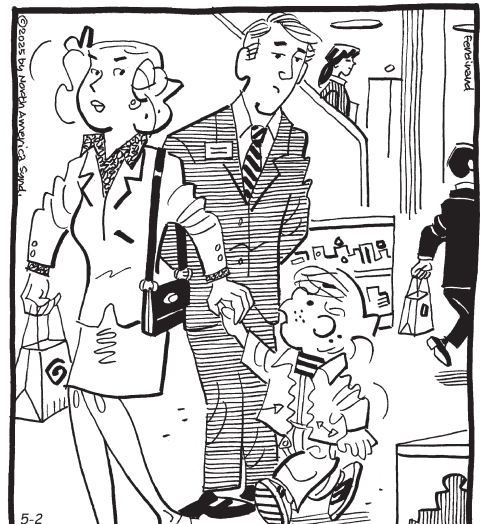


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"I knew you were comin' to visit 'cause we got out the picture you gave us and hung it up."

BIL KEANE
JEFF KEANE

DENNIS THE MENACE



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"OF COURSE WE FOUND EVERYTHING WE'RE LOOKIN' FOR. IT'S JUST THE STUFF THAT WE WANT WE CAN'T AFFORD."

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ARCTIC CIRCLE



CLIMATE CHANGE IS CAUSING COSTS TO RISE. IT'S GETTING TOUGHER TO MAKE A LIVING IN HOSPITALITY.

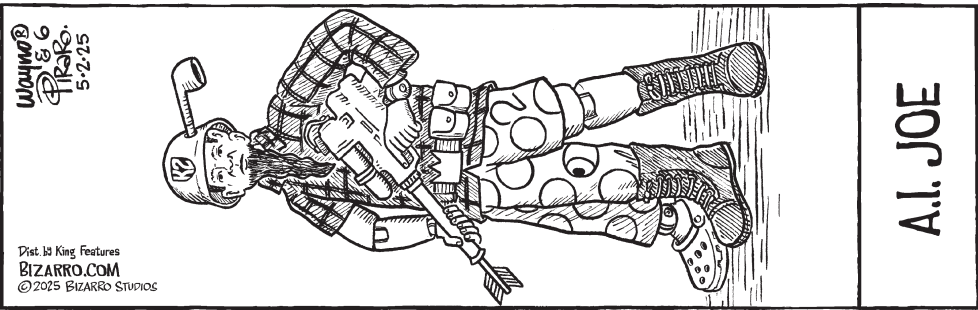
HECTOR SAYS HE'S MEETING THE CHALLENGE BY EMBRACING INSECT CUISINE.

DO WE HAVE TO? GIVE ME A HUG!

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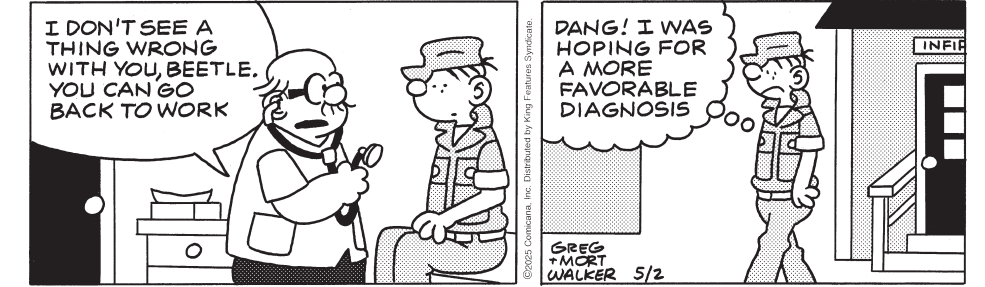
BIZARRO



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A.I. JOE

BEETLE BAILEY



I DON'T SEE A THING WRONG WITH YOU, BEETLE. YOU CAN GO BACK TO WORK

DANG! I WAS HOPING FOR A MORE FAVORABLE DIAGNOSIS

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GREG MORT WALKER

RHYMES WITH ORANGE



THE INTERN

Will I see you for lunch? Only if my boss reverses this spell!

IT'S A THANKLESS JOB. NO ONE EVER NOTICES I'M THERE.

COME SEE MYSTERY the ILLUSIONIST

Joe's Burgers

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BLONDIE



I CAME HERE TO FORGET MY TROUBLES

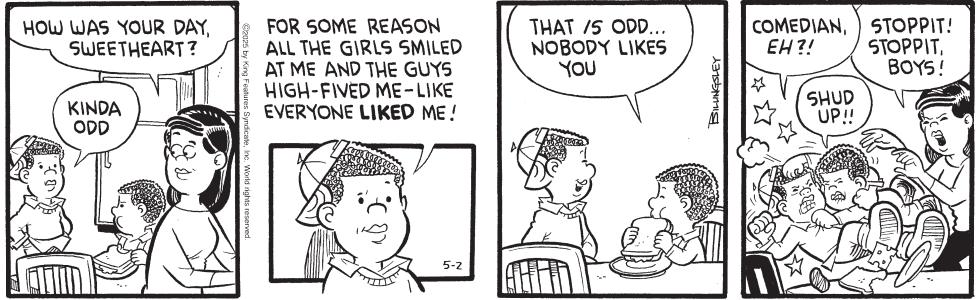
GOOD

LET'S TALK ABOUT MINE INSTEAD

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CURTIS



HOW WAS YOUR DAY, SWEETHEART?

KINDA ODD

FOR SOME REASON ALL THE GIRLS SMILED AT ME AND THE GUYS HIGH-FIVED ME-LIKE EVERYONE LIKED ME!

THAT /S ODD... NOBODY LIKES YOU

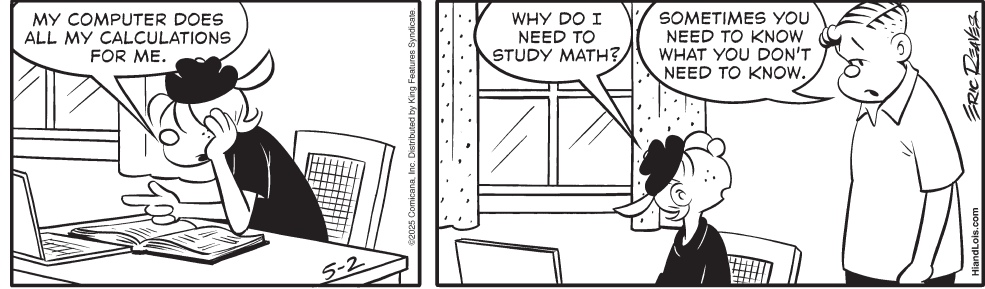
COMEDIAN, EH?! STOPPIT! STOPPIT, BOYS!

SHUD UP!!

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HI & LOIS



MY COMPUTER DOES ALL MY CALCULATIONS FOR ME.

WHY DO I NEED TO STUDY MATH?

SOMETIMES YOU NEED TO KNOW WHAT YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW.

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PARDON MY PLANET

A comic panel showing a man in a suit and a woman in a dress talking. The man is holding a sign that says "I DON'T HAVE A CLUE HOW TO DRAW 'HELPING AROUND THE HOUSE FROM TIME TO TIME' HERE, JUST WHACK HIM WITH THIS INSTEAD." data-bbox="508 476 971 551"/>

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ZITS



YOU WOULD HAVE LESS STRESS IF YOU DIDN'T PUT THINGS OFF UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.

ACCORDING TO WHO?

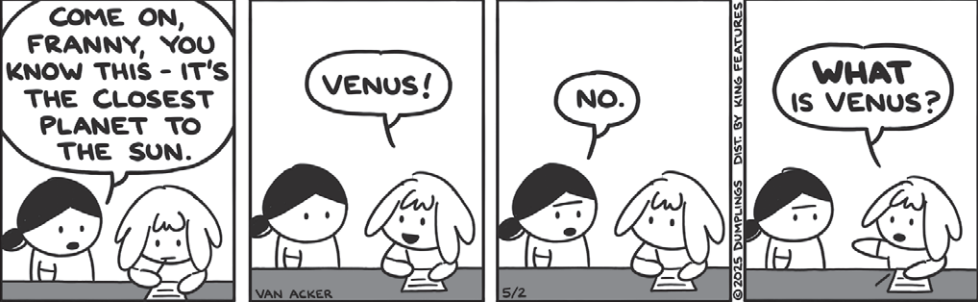
PRETTY MUCH EVERYONE THROUGHOUT HISTORY.

AND I'M JUST SUPPOSED TO BELIEVE THEM?

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DUMPLINGS



COME ON, FRANNY, YOU KNOW THIS - IT'S THE CLOSEST PLANET TO THE SUN.

VENUS!

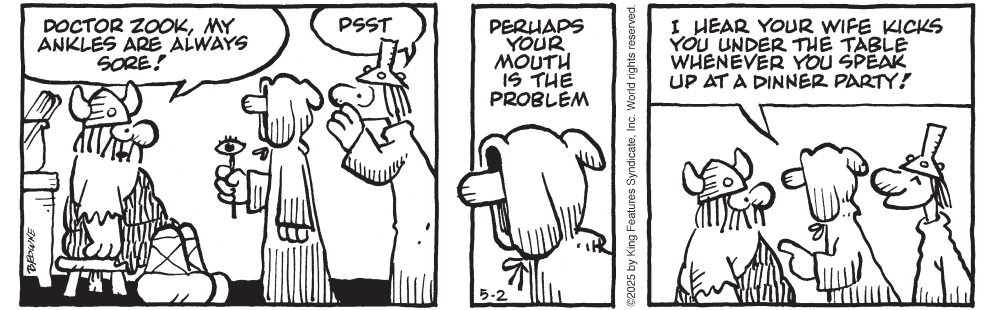
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WHAT IS VENUS?

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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



DOCTOR ZOOK, MY ANKLES ARE ALWAYS SORE!

PSST

PERHAPS YOUR MOUTH IS THE PROBLEM

I HEAR YOUR WIFE KICKS YOU UNDER THE TABLE WHENEVER YOU SPEAK UP AT A DINNER PARTY!

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SIX CHIX



I WONDER IF I CAN RECYCLE THIS BOTTLE CAP

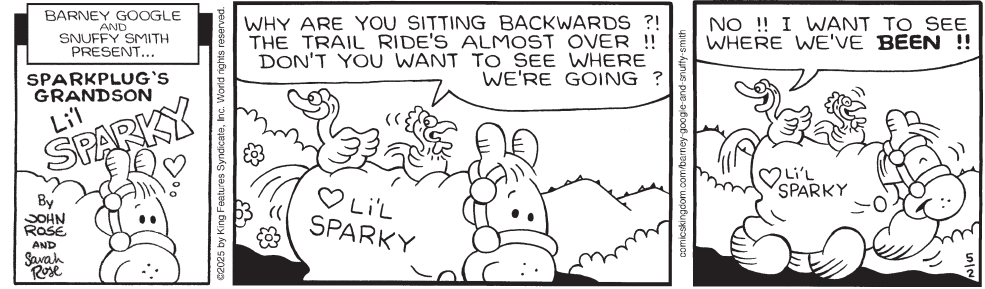
GOTTA DO MY PART TO SAVE THE EARTH

MEANWHILE

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BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH



BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH PRESENT... SPARKPLUG'S GRANDSON L'L SPARKY

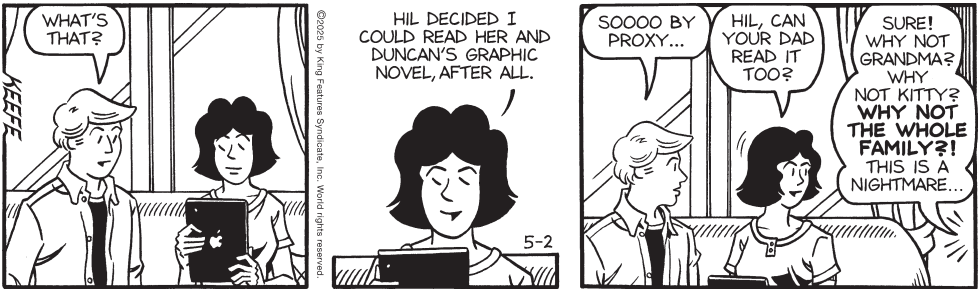
WHY ARE YOU SITTING BACKWARDS ?! THE TRAIL RIDE'S ALMOST OVER !! DON'T YOU WANT TO SEE WHERE WE'RE GOING ?

NO !! I WANT TO SEE WHERE WE'VE BEEN !!

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SALLY FORTH



WHAT'S THAT?

HIL DECIDED I COULD READ HER AND DUNCAN'S GRAPHIC NOVEL, AFTER ALL.

SOOOO BY PROXY...

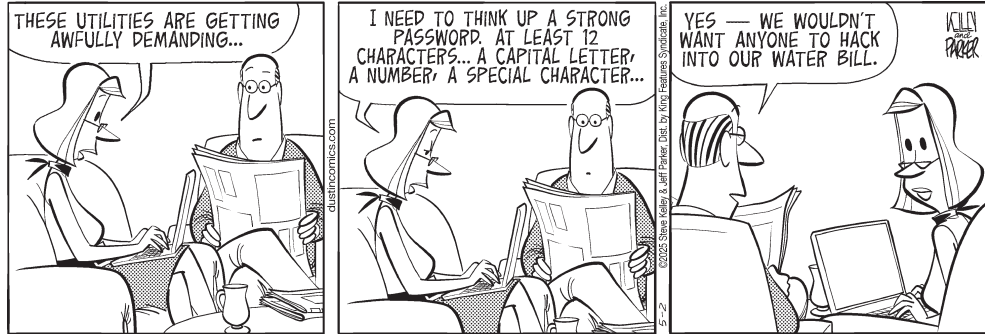
HIL, CAN YOUR DAD READ IT TOO?

SURE! WHY NOT GRANDMA? WHY NOT KITTY? WHY NOT THE WHOLE FAMILY? THIS IS A NIGHTMARE...

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DUSTIN



THESE UTILITIES ARE GETTING AWFULLY DEMANDING...

I NEED TO THINK UP A STRONG PASSWORD. AT LEAST 12 CHARACTERS... A CAPITAL LETTER, A NUMBER, A SPECIAL CHARACTER...

YES — WE WOULDN'T WANT ANYONE TO HACK INTO OUR WATER BILL.

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MUTTS



SHELTER STORIES

I'M AFRAID TO OPEN MY EYES. I'M AFRAID YESTERDAY WAS ALL A DREAM AND I'LL WAKE UP AND STILL BE IN THE SHELTER

SIGH... OKAY, I'VE GOT TO OPEN THEM. HERE GOES... ONE... TWO... THREE!

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

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Bil and Jeff Keane

"No, this is a badminton racket. Tennis rackets have bigger windows."

DENNIS THE MENACE

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"A PARKING AND A SPEEDING TICKET! WHAT'S COMIN' NEXT?"

ARCTIC CIRCLE

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Hal Galt

...TRAMPOLINE.

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Would you fellows prefer a table?

BARRE FLIES

BEETLE BAILEY

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RHYMES WITH ORANGE

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THE NEW DIGS

I feel like I'm being buried alive.

WHAT KIND OF FLOOR PLAN IS THIS? THERE'S NO WIGGLE ROOM!

BLONDIE

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HA! HA! READING THE COMICS AGAIN, HONEY?

ACTUALLY, NO...

THE NEWS IS SO CRAZY, YOU EITHER HAVE TO LAUGH AT IT OR GO CRAZY YOURSELF!

CURTIS

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EVERYONE'S BEING EXTRA NICE TO YOU AND Y'DON'T KNOW WHY?

UM... NO...

YOU MEAN YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW WHY? LET US VISIT SOCIAL MEDIA...

WHAT THE-- NO WAY

SPOOO!

HI & LOIS

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WHY DOES IT ALWAYS HAVE TO RAIN ON MY PARADE?

WHY WOULD HE TAKE HIS GOLF CLUBS TO A PARADE?

PARDON MY PLANET

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NOT AGAIN!

IT WASN'T ME!

ME EITHER!

IT WAS WOLFGANG!

YOUNG MOZART IS CAUGHT PASSING NOTES IN CLASS.

ZITS

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JEREMY! GET UP!

IT'S SATURDAY, MOM!

OH, BUT YOU'RE WASTING THE BEST PART OF THE MORNING!

THE BEST PART OF SATURDAY MORNING IS SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

DUMPLINGS

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I KNOW HOW TO MAKE YOU APPRECIATE THE WONDERS OF OUTER SPACE!

MY DAD AND I WILL TAKE YOU OUT TO A DESOLATE CLEARING...

NO CARS, NO PEOPLE, NO LIGHTS AROUND FOR MILES...

WE'LL SEE IF WE CAN'T CHANGE YOUR MIND.

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

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RAGNAR, YOU SAID YOU WOULD PAY BACK THE MONEY YOU BORROWED TODAY?

I WILL!

I'M WAITING FOR THE BANK TO CLOSE!

SIX CHIX

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Happy National Paranormal Day!

to you too!

Did you say something, hon?

Just appreciating that every day is special for someone!

BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH

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BUT, PARSON, WE'RE SPOSED T'WATCH THAT FISHIN' SHOW ON YORE TV !!

SORRY, SNUFFY...

THAT'S NO INTERRUPTIN' L'I' SPARKY AN' SPARK PLUG WHEN TH' KENTUCKY DERBY IS ON !!

SALLY FORTH

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RIGHT?! HIL AND DUNCAN DID SUCH A GREAT JOB ON THEIR GRAPHIC NOVEL.

I CAN'T HELP BUT NOTICE, THOUGH, THAT TWO OF THE CHARACTERS LOOK REMARKABLY LIKE US.

WELL, IT MAKES SENSE THEY'D USE PEOPLE THEY KNOW FOR CHARACTER DESIGN.

THEY'RE ALSO NAMED "SALLY" AND "TED." WELL, IF THE BOOK'S A BIG SUCCESS, WE CAN ALWAYS SUE THEM.

HA HA HA. VERY FUNNY. I'M DYING HERE...

DUSTIN

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HERE'S A LIFE LESSON...

I CAN'T WAIT.

YOU EVER BEEN IN A RESTAURANT AND THEY HAVE PLANTS? THEN YOU TOUCH THEM TO SEE IF THEY'RE REAL OR FAKE?

YES.

YOU CAN'T DO THAT WITH PEOPLE.

MUTTS

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SHELTER STORIES

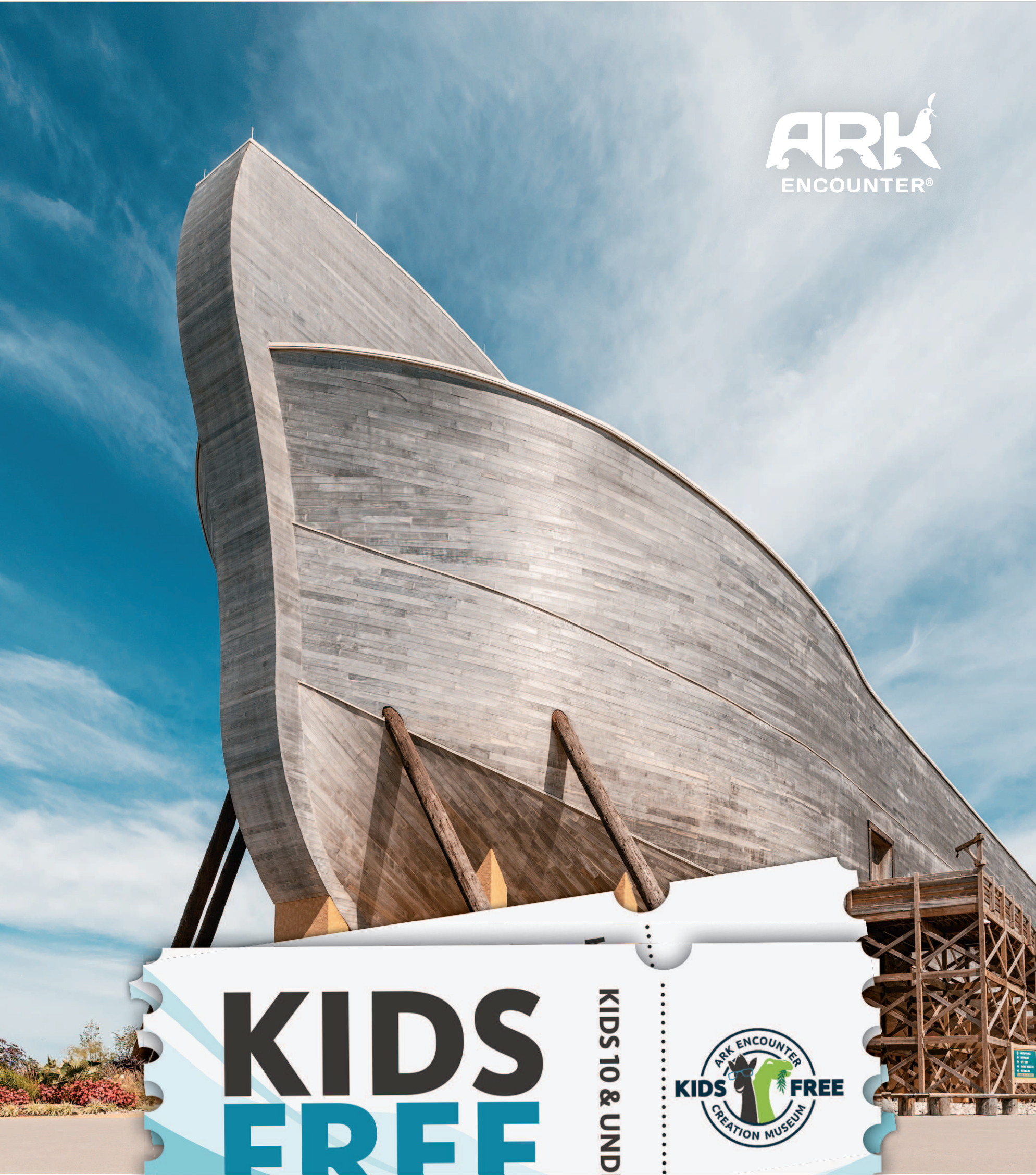
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MY NEW HOME

MY NEW FOOD BOWL

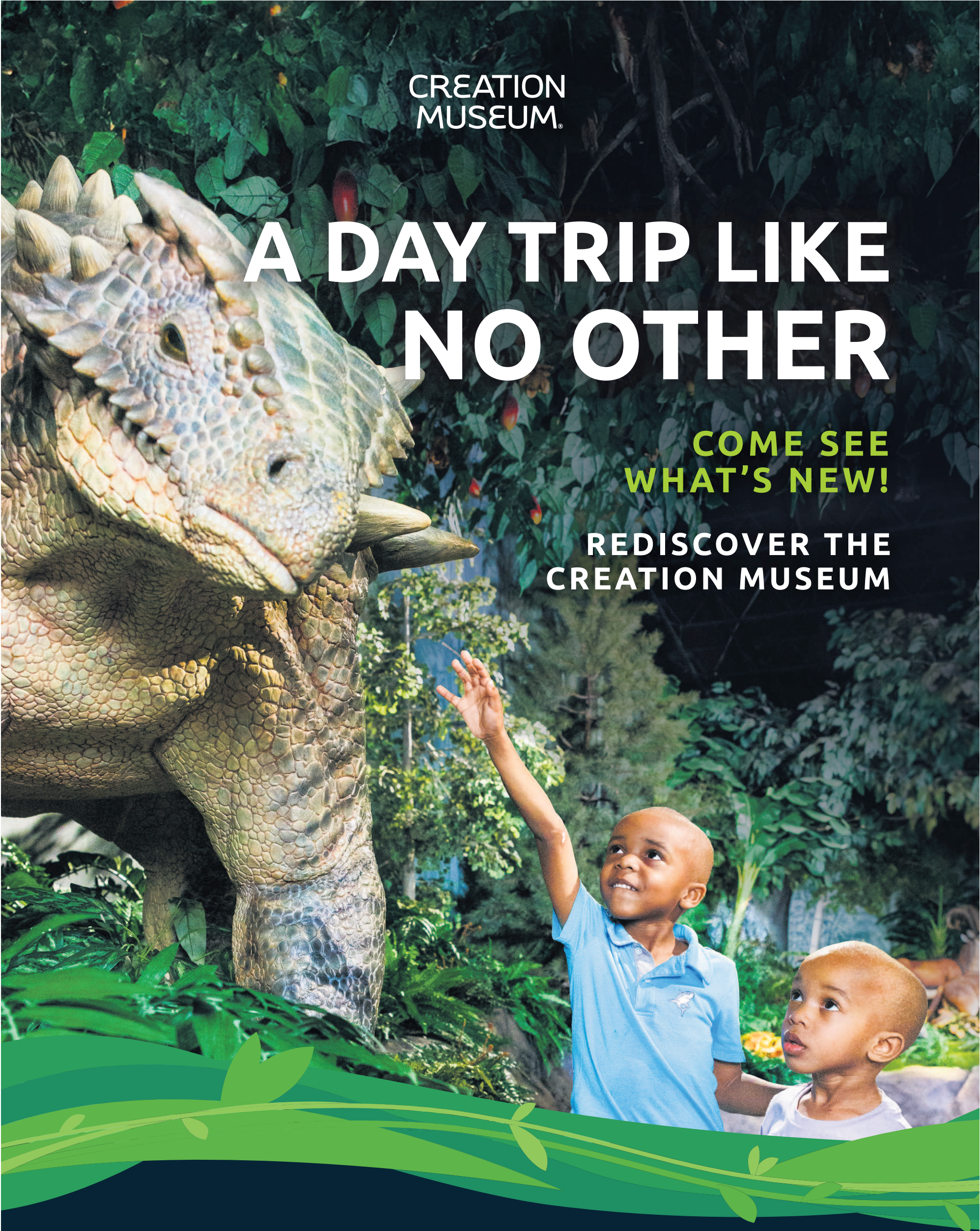
MY NEW BED

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Southwestern's Nussbaum breaks school record at Madison

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern's Savannah Nussbaum continued her impressive freshman season with a record-breaking performance in the 3200-meter run in a track & field meet at Madison on Monday.

Nussbaum, who had already set the school record in the 1600 run earlier in the season, posted a time of 11:37.14 in the 3200 to win that race handily. Her time was 32 seconds faster than Whitney Hamilton's school record of 12:09 set in 2005.

Overall, Madison's boys claimed victory, riding seven wins to 77.16 points to edge Switzerland County, which had 75. Southwestern was third with 47.33 and Oldenburg was fourth with 37.5.

Switzerland County won the girls meet with 74 points, just ahead of Madison's 72. Oldenburg was third with 52 and Southwestern was fourth with 40.

"It was great to get senior night in today. It has been a very tough spring with the weather," Madison coach Scott Holcroft said. "We rested some of the guys tonight in hopes that we get another meet during the week. Nine personal bests for the girls and 17 for the boys shows where the team is headed."

Mason Davis scored a win in the boys 100-meter dash in 11.14 for the Cubs while Eli Storm won the 1600 run in 4:46.92, Ethan Norris won the high jump at 6 feet-even, Segar Ralston won the pole vault at 11 feet-even, Jason Cosby won the shot put at 40 feet, 8 inches, the 400 relay team of Davis, Jake Dyer, Ethan May and Joseph Stanley won in 45.84, and Sam Crouch, Will Laufer, Travis Hoffman and Storm won the 3200 relay in 8:52.06.

Anna Black won two events for the Madison girls, claiming the high jump at 5 feet, 2 inches and the pole vault at 8-feet even.



File
Southwestern Savannah Nussbaum broke the Rebels' 3200-meter school record Monday at Madison with a time of 11:37.14. Her time was 32 seconds faster than Whitney Hamilton's school record of 12:09 set in 2005.

Haley Ferguson won the 1600 run in 5:49.13 and Dellah Gibson won the long jump for the Cubs at 15 feet, 7 inches.

Tori Gammons won the girls 400 dash for Southwestern in 1:03.90, Olivia Simpson won the 800 run in 2:31.16, the 1600 relay team won in 4:19.36 and the 3200 relay won in 10:49.94. Landon Higgins won the boys 300 hurdles for Southwestern in 43.24 and Bryce Weber won the boys discus at 143 feet, 7 inches.

Madison Spilman won two events for the Switzerland Coun-

ty girls, claiming the 100 dash in 12.64 and the 200 dash in 26.44. Lauren Smith won the 100 hurdles in 17.24, Addy Preston won the shot put at 31 feet, 9 inches and the 400 relay team won in 51.64. On the boys side, Ty Lay won the 200 dash in 23.34, Cale Collier won the 400 dash in 53.24, Kolvin Beck won the 110 hurdles in 15.94, Matt Young won the long jump at 19 feet, 10 inches, and the 1600 relay team won in 3:36.56.

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Abby Hooven

Carroll County's players celebrate at home plate with Luke Taylor (29) after he bashed a three-run home run to left field in the bottom of the first inning against Henry County on Monday. The celebration ended up being short-lived as the Wildcats rallied to defeat the Panthers 12-7 in a battle of rivals previously unbeaten in the 31st District. Taylor was 3-for-4 with a double, a home run and 6 RBIs.

Carroll falls to Henry for first loss in district play

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Henry County pounded out 12 hits to beat Carroll County 12-7 and hand the Panthers their first loss in 31st District play Tuesday in Carrollton.

The Panthers had eight hits but it wasn't enough. Luke Taylor was 3-for-4 with a home run, a double and six RBIs to lead Carroll. Mason Ogden had two hits, Coy Willhoite had a double and scored three runs, and Bryce Furnish and Treavin Shovlin each had a hit.

Ogden allowed 11 runs on 10 hits in 6-1/3 innings and was handed the loss.

Carroll, now 7-6 overall and 5-1 in district play, traveled to Henry on Thursday and went to Scott on Friday. The Panthers travel to Calvary Christian on Saturday and to Eminence next Tuesday.

Madison suffered a 9-2 loss at Class 2A No. 5 Providence on Monday but rebounded for a 5-2 win over Charlestown on Tuesday to claim its 10th win of the season.

Providence scored five runs in the third inning to pull away for the win. Nick Johnson smashed his fifth home run of the season and also had a single for two of the Cubs' three hits in the game while Elliot

Kozenski had a hit and an RBI.

Bodie Harsin suffered the loss after giving up six earned runs on six hits in three innings with three strikeouts.

Madison collected seven hits in the win over Charlestown. Harsin was 2-for-3 with a double and two runs scored, Mitchell Cammack had two hits, an RBI and scored twice, Abe Reetz and Johnson each had a hit and an RBI and Briar Boldery had a hit and scored a run.

Kozenski allowed two runs on six hits in four innings with two strikeouts for the win.

Madison, now 10-2 on the season, travels to Batesville on Friday and faces South Dearborn for two games in Aurora on Saturday. The Cubs then travel to Scottsburg next Tuesday.

Andrew Varble drove in five runs and Austin Jenkins slugged a home run as Southwestern hammered Switzerland County 7-1 in Vevay on Monday.

Varble was 2-for-3 with a double to lead the Rebels at the plate. Barron Welsh was 3-for-4 with a double and a run scored, and Adam Traylor and Brady Cook each had a hit and scored two runs. Cook also drove in a run.

SEE **CARROLL/PAGE A10**

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MAY 2

BASEBALL

Shawe hosts Rock Creek, 5:30 p.m.
Carroll Co. at Scott, 6 p.m.
Madison at Batesville, 6 p.m.

GOLF

Hanover College women, HCAC Championships at Transylvania, 10 a.m.

SOFTBALL

Switzerland Co. hosts Madison, 5 p.m.
Southwestern hosts Clarksville, 5:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern girls hosts Milan, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 3

BASEBALL

Madison at South Dearborn, 10 a.m. (DH)
Shawe hosts Christian Academy of

Indiana, 10 a.m.

Switzerland Co. vs. Brownstown, Eastern at Brownstown, 10 a.m.

Southwestern at Scottsburg, 11 a.m. (DH)
Hanover College hosts Anderson, 1 p.m. (DH)
Carroll Co. at Calvary Christian, 4 p.m.

GOLF

Hanover College women, HCAC Championships at Transylvania, 10 a.m.
Madison, Shawe, Southwestern boys, Madison Invite, noon

SOFTBALL

Southwestern hosts South Central, 11 a.m. (DH)
Trimble Co. at Collins, 12:30 p.m.
Hanover College at Anderson, 1 p.m. (DH)

TENNIS

Hanover College men and women, HCAC Tournament, TBA
Shawe girls host Batesville, 10 a.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison boys at Franklin Central, 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 4

BASEBALL

Hanover College hosts Anderson, noon

GOLF

Hanover College women, HCAC Championships at Transylvania, 10 a.m.

TENNIS

Hanover College men and women, HCAC Tournament, TBA

MONDAY, MAY 5

BASEBALL

Shawe hosts Switzerland Co., 5 p.m.

GOLF

Madison boys host Switzerland Co., Milan, 4:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Madison at Charlestown, 5 p.m.
Trimble Co. at South Oldham, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Shawe girls host Milan, 4:30 p.m.
Southwestern girls at Scottsburg, 4:30 p.m.
Madison girls at South Dearborn, 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison boys at Rock Creek, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 6

BASEBALL

Switzerland Co. hosts South Ripley, 5:30 p.m.
Carroll Co. at Eminence, 6 p.m.
Madison hosts Scottsburg, 6 p.m.
Trimble Co. hosts Owen Co., 6 p.m.

GOLF

Switzerland Co. boys hosts Southwestern, South Ripley, 4:30 p.m.
Shawe boys host Jac-Cen-Del, Rising Sun, 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Switzerland Co. hosts South Ripley, 5 p.m.

Southwestern at Jac-Cen-Del, 5:30 p.m.
Carroll Co. at Eminence, 6 p.m.
Trimble Co. hosts Owen Co., 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Madison girls host Austin, 4:30 p.m.
Southwestern girls hosts New Washington, 4:30 p.m.

TRACK & FIELD

Shawe, Switzerland Co. at South Ripley, 5 p.m.
Southwestern at Charlestown, 5 p.m.
Carroll Co. hosts all-comers, 5:30 p.m.
Madison hosts Jennings Co., 5:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Southwestern boys host Shawe, 6 p.m.

Haliburton scolds father for sparking fracas after Pacers eliminate Bucks

BY MICHAEL MAROT
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INDIANAPOLIS — Pacers guard Tyrese Haliburton was so excited about Indiana's improbable overtime rally that he didn't realize what led to the postgame scuffle between his teammates and the Milwaukee Bucks on Tuesday night.

Then he got to the locker room, watched the replay and winced when he saw his father, John, on the court, confronting two-time MVP Giannis Antetokounmpo.

"I had no idea it happened until I got back to the locker room and they showed me the video of my pops," the two-time All-Star said after he made the decisive layup with 1.3 seconds left to give Indiana a

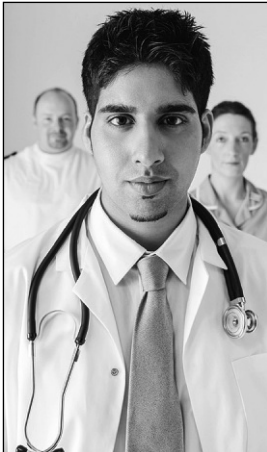


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Milwaukee Bucks forward Giannis Antetokounmpo, left, is separated from Indiana Pacers players forward Obi Toppin, second from right, and guard Benedit Mathurin, right, after Game 5 of an NBA basketball first-round playoff series in Indianapolis on Tuesday.

119-118 victory and a 4-1 series win. "We had a little talk about it. I don't agree with what transpired there. I think basketball is

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Hanover bats come alive in rout of Spalding

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Hanover College lashed 15 hits in a 12-4 baseball win over Spalding at home on Monday.
The Panthers led only 2-1 entering the fifth inning when they pushed five runs across the plate. A two-run sixth and another four-run inning in the eighth blew the game open.
Reid Douglas went 2-for-

5 with a home run and four RBIs to lead Hanover, Josh Simpson was 2-for-3 with a double and two RBIs, Dylan Toler was 2-for-2 with a double and an RBI, Sam Perkins had two hits and scored three runs, Jake Danneman had two hits and Owen Boyce had two hits and an RBI.
Dylan Lloyd picked up the win on the hill for Hanover, allowing three

runs on four hits in 5-2/3 innings with three strikeouts.
Hanover, now 15-21 overall and 10-9 in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, closes out the regular season with a three-game series at home against Anderson this weekend. The Panthers play a doubleheader on Saturday and a single game on Sunday.

Madison’s win streak snapped in loss at Jeff

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Madison boys volleyball swept Shawe in three sets on Monday for the Cubs’ eighth-straight win but then suffered a four-set loss at Jeffersonville on Tuesday.
Madison defeated Shawe decisively, winning 25-8, 25-18, 26-24.

Kyle Roney had 10 kills and eight digs for Madison, Branson Cline had eight kills and four digs, Jaden Woolridge had six kills and three aces, and Aiden Smith had 27 assists and four digs. No results for Shawe were available.
Madison lost a four-set

barnburner at Jeffersonville on Tuesday, 24-26, 25-23, 25-17, 25-20. No stats for the match were available.
Madison, now 12-7 on the season, competes in the Franklin Central Tournament on Saturday and travels to Rock Creek next Monday.

Clark making Fever a hot ticket in Iowa

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Caitlin Clark fans will have to pay a premium on the secondary market if they want to be at Carver-Hawkeye Arena for Sunday’s matchup between the WNBA’s Indiana Fever and the Brazilian national team.
The average paid price of \$440 per ticket on the secondary market as of Wednesday has made it the most in-demand event involving Clark, according to ticketing technology company Victory Live,

which analyzes sales across the secondary market.
Clark will be playing on the court where she rose to stardom with the Iowa Hawkeyes. The all-time leading scorer in Division I history is from West Des Moines and played for the Hawkeyes from 2020-24. She was the No. 1 overall pick in the 2024 WNBA draft and the league’s rookie of the year.
Asking prices on the secondary market Wednesday for the preseason game ranged from \$146 to

\$2,368.
The previous high average paid price for a Clark game was \$411. That was March 3, 2024, when she scored 35 points against Ohio State to pass Pete Maravich as the Division I career scoring leader.
Victory Live also reported that the average paid price for a Fever away game in the 2025 season was \$272, up from \$171 in 2024. The average is \$197 for a Fever home game, more than double the \$92 home average last season.

UK changes athletic department to an LLC

BY MAURA CAREY
ASSOCIATED PRESS
With college athletics bracing for the expected approval of a \$2.8 billion NCAA antitrust settlement, the University of Kentucky is believed to be the first school to convert its athletic department to a limited-liability holding company.
The creation of Champions Blue LLC, approved last week by the university’s Board of Trustees, is seen as a way for Kentucky to become more nimble in finding new revenue. The pending settlement in the House case will clear the way for schools to share up to \$20.5 million annually with their athletes, but name, image and likeness deals on top of that are seen as a key asset in landing and keeping elite recruits — and that takes money.
The plan calls for a board that will have wide experience in fundraising, and the school noted it hopes to “unlock new revenue streams through public-private partnerships and potentially other transactions, such as real estate.”
“There are so many benefits to creating Champions Blue,” said Jacob Most, UK’s director of strategic communications. “It provides the flexibility needed to help us stay well-positioned during this period of continued evo-

lution in college athletics. We will benefit from a new board of internal and outside experts with sports business experience — including in pro sports — that will help guide us in finding revenue streams to support our teams.”
The so-called House settlement and changing landscape were driving factors in the decision, and UK said in its announcement Friday that the changes “will add millions more each year to the expenses of intercollegiate programs.”
An LLC provides some legal protections against losses or risks, and experts said transitioning to one may be a wise choice for major institutions like Kentucky. Being able to make quicker choices in the current landscape could be a key benefit.
It might not work across the board, however.
Making the shift requires thoughtful consideration, said Jim Booz, a former deputy athletic director at Virginia Tech and now the director of college athletics advisory services at the accounting firm James Moore & Co.
“It’s important for every institution to really think about their strategic alignment and what it is that they want to accomplish in this new landscape of college athletics,” Booz

said. “Certainly, a move like this one allows the University of Kentucky to be a little bit more agile and nimble in executing, in all likelihood, some strategies that they plan to implement post the House case.”
Helen Drew, a sports law professor at the University of Buffalo, said agility is increasingly valuable in college athletics. As the amateur model vanishes, athletic departments are more inclined to make changes.
“The traditional structure has never fit particularly well, and certainly now it does not fit well at all with the transactional nature of college sports,” Drew said. “This is the first institution to acknowledge that we’re in a different era and that the organizational structures that we’ve used up until this time don’t work well with the new reality.”
UK officials said the structure is appealing to all parties, including athletes seeking NIL compensation.
“This structure will help us create new revenue streams, which when reinvested in our programs and facilities, will help ensure the continued success of our sports programs,” Most said. “In today’s college landscape, isolating the business component enables us to focus on our student-athletes.”

SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

Madison dominates Jac-Cen-Del for 13-0 rout

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Madison softball pounded out 17 hits and Ava Armbrecht tossed a two-hit shutout in a 13-0 win at Jac-Cen-Del on Monday.
Every player but one who got into the game collected a hit for the Cubs. Destiny Nicholson went 3-for-4 with two RBIs and a run for Madison, Mashya Wells was 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI, Kyra Ayler was 2-for-4 with two RBIs and two runs, Kylie Montgomery and Emily Laufer each had two hits and an RBI, and Armbrecht and Lanie Alexander each had two hits.
Armbrecht struck out 11 and gave up only two hits in five innings for the win.
Madison, now 6-4, had its game at home against Brownstown on Tuesday postponed and hosted Scottsburg on Wednesday. The Cubs travel to Switzerland County on Friday and host Salem next Wednesday.
PACERS POUND REBELS
Switzerland County erupted for nine runs in the first inning and rolled to a

20-5 softball victory over Southwestern in Vevay on Monday.
The Pacers had 13 hits total in the game with Lindsey Snider going 3-for-3 with two doubles, four RBIs and three runs scored, Hayley Adams going 3-for-4 with a double, four RBIs and three runs, Bri Stow was 2-for-4 with a double and an RBI and Macy Cook had a double and an RBI.
Rorie Scroggins was 2-for-3 with a triple and an RBI for Southwestern, Lilly Fox and Riley Crawford each had a single and an RBI and Myah Hofelich had a hit.
Stow picked up the win for the Pacers after scattering three earned runs on five hits in five innings. Chloey Leach gave up eight earned runs on five hits in two innings and was tagged with the loss.
Southwestern, now 6-4 overall and 0-3 Ohio River Valley Conference, hosted Jac-Cen-Del on Wednesday and hosts Clarksville on Friday before traveling to South Central for two games on Saturday. The Rebels then head to Jac-Cen-Del next Tuesday.

Switzerland, now 1-6 overall and 1-3 ORVC, traveled to Rising Sun on Wednesday and hosts Madison on Friday. The Pacers then host South Ripley next Tuesday.
TRIMBLE BLASTS EMINENCE
Trimble County softball posted a 15-0 win over Eminence on an Alyssa Ritchie no-hitter at home on Tuesday.
Jocie Stucker went 2-for-3 with a home run, a double, two RBIs and three runs scored for the Raiders, Lily Truman was 2-for-2 with a double and two RBIs, Jaelynn Holbrook had a double and an RBI, Shelby Wright had a double and scored two runs, and Alyssa Ritchie had a hit and two RBIs.
Ritchie also got the win by tossing three inning without allowing a hit while striking out six.
Trimble, now 13-7 overall and 4-3 in 31st District play, traveled to Eminence on Thursday and heads to Collins on Friday and to South Oldham on Monday. The Raiders then host Owen County on Tuesday.

Southwestern golfers post win over Switzerland, Rising Sun

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Southwestern boys golf posted an impressive 160 score to win a tri-meet at The Links Golf Course in Rising Sun on Monday.
Wayde Barker shot a 37 to finish second overall and Braxton Lewis had a 38 to lead the Rebels. Wyatt Barker shot a 40, Blake

Boley a 45, Max Joseph a 46 and Braden Helton a 51.
Rising Sun was second with a 171 and Switzerland was third with a 186. No results for Switzerland were available.
“I’m very proud of how our team was able close out tonight despite some tough stretches,” Southwestern

coach Matt Johnson said. “We’re looking forward to getting back to tournament play on Saturday at Sunrise.”
Southwestern competes in the Madison Invitational at Sunrise on Saturday and heads to Belterra next Tuesday to face Switzerland County.

How to Choose a Beneficiary for Your Financial Assets



Layin’ it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad
Retirement Planning/
Wealth Management

and one or more contingent beneficiaries, who will receive the money if the primary beneficiaries are not alive or cannot be located. You can also specify the percentage of the benefit that each beneficiary will receive. You can change your beneficiary designation at any time, unless you have an irrevocable beneficiary, which means you cannot change it without their consent. To name or change a beneficiary, you need to fill out a form provided by your insurance company and submit it to them.

How to choose a beneficiary for your bank accounts?

Bank accounts include checking accounts, savings accounts, certificates of deposit and other deposit accounts. You can name a beneficiary for your bank accounts by using a payable on death (POD) or transfer on death (TOD) designation. This means that the money in your account will pass directly to your beneficiary without going through probate, which is the legal process of settling your estate. You can name one or more beneficiaries and change them at any time. To name or change a beneficiary, you need to fill out a form provided by your bank and submit it to them.

How to choose a beneficiary for your qualified money accounts?

Qualified money accounts include retirement plans, such as 401(k)s, IRAs, pensions and other tax-deferred accounts. You can name one or more beneficiaries for your qualified money accounts, but you may have some restrictions depending on the type of account and your marital status. For example, if you are married and have a 401(k) or a pension, you

may need your spouse's consent to name someone else as your primary beneficiary. If you have an IRA, you may have more flexibility to name anyone as your beneficiary, but you may also have to consider the tax implications for your beneficiary. To name or change a beneficiary, you need to fill out a form provided by your plan administrator or custodian and submit it to them.

It is all about planning and making sure your assets are left to those you want to have inherit. Selecting a beneficiary is an easy step in the right direction. One of the biggest mistakes you can make is not reviewing your beneficiary choices with legal or a financial advisor.

Remember, beneficiary designations are designed to ensure you leave your assets to whom you wish. If not, your assets could be subject to the Probate process which could reduce the size of your estate and delay transfer. Take the time to carefully select your beneficiaries and then occasionally review those choices.

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Southwestern schedules public hearing on superintendent contract

BY BOB DEMAREE

The Board of Trustees of Southwestern Jefferson County Schools will hold a public hearing on the new superintendent’s contract at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 19, prior to its regular meeting.

The public hearing is a requirement by Indiana code and lays the groundwork for hiring the corporation’s new superintendent to replace Jeffrey Bates who is retiring effective June 30. After the hearing and the school board has considered public input, the board will consider adoption of a contract for the new superintendent.

The contract term begins Tuesday, July 1, the day after Bates’ retirement takes effect, and ends June 30, 2028, with options for extensions. The contract grants an initial starting salary of \$130,000 that will be eligible for base salary increases commensurate with increases provided to teachers. Each contract year provides for corporation scheduled holidays in addition to 20 vacation days, 15 personal days, and five days for bereavement leave.

The entire text of the proposed contract is available on the Southwestern website. A summary of the proposed contract is also in a legal advertisement on page B6 of today’s Madison Courier.

Bates, a 1981 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School, announced his retirement in November. He served as a teacher and coach in the South Ripley Community School Corporation for 17 years before coming to Southwestern in 2005 as assistant principal at the middle and high school. In 2006, he was asked to take over as principal of the high school, a position he held through the 2018-2019 school year. He has served in the role of superintendent since being named interim superintendent in January 2019 following the resignation of Trevor Jones, and was officially named superintendent in May 2019.

In other business at Monday’s school board meeting:

- While considering the second reading of a school policy on background checks for volunteers, board member Jonathon Simpson asked for a slight change for the provision that drug possession be among the criminal acts that will automatically disqualify volunteers for school programs and/or activities by adding that it must be a felony drug possession conviction. “I don’t think it’s necessary to disqualify an 18-year-old kid who got a small marijuana charge, and 30 years later he’s a dad with two kids who wants go with them on a field trip,” said Simpson,

stating that by adding felony, it captures a drug usage that’s “hard core” and not a lesser possession charge. The board unanimously agreed to the change in the policy which can be adopted after the third reading.

- Approved the purchase of a walk-in combination cooler freezer from Hubert Company for \$57,698 in which funds will come from a Healthy Meals Initiative Grant. Another bid was received from HRI Inc. at 65,731.10.
- Approved a contract with Bickers Flooring for \$14,000 for new flooring for the high school cafeteria in the old volleyball court section at the back of the cafeteria. Another bid of \$14,930 was received from Madison Floors and More.
- Tabled a decision on repainting the R2 Minibus, which the school corporation uses to transport students to activities and events. Several quotes were received, but the board asked to consider checking the cost of putting a wrap on the bus to see if that would be more cost effective than repainting. Assistant Superintendent Jason Watson will also check to see if there is anything that would legally prohibit putting a wrap on the school corporations’ minibus.
- Approved a new high school class that combines economics and personal responsibility.

Chautauqua on track with applications for 54th annual festival

BY BOB DEMAREE

Almost five months away from the Madison Chautauqua Festival of Art, planning is underway with artists getting lined up for the 54th annual event on Sept. 27-28.

“We’re on track on applications,” said Chautauqua Coordinator Kara Hinze, at Monday’s meeting of the Visit Madison Inc. board of directors.

Hinze said so far 76 artists have confirmed attendance and paid for their spots and 67 more have applied but not yet paid. She said there are 23 new applications waiting to be juried.

Of the artists that were juried in March, 15 were added to the wait list until July in an effort not to have an over abundance of potters or jewelers.

Last year, there were 207 artists, but fewer actually attended due to

inclement weather conditions last year. Hinze said typically there are 150 returning artists and 50 new artists.

Submissions for the 2025 fine art print contest are being accepted through June 30. The contest is open to all artists. Artwork must have a Madison or Madison Chautauqua theme. Any two-dimensional media suitable for reproduction as an art print is accepted including high resolution computer generated graphics. The applications can be found at <https://www.madisonchautauqua.com/artprint>. They must be submitted in person or mailed to 601 West First Street, Madison, Indiana.

Jeff Shew, coordinator of Ribberfest BBQ & Blues Festival said 368 tickets have sold so far at the early rate of \$30. “We’re really happy with that number so far. It keeps growing every day,” he said.

The first 1,000 tickets will continue to sell for \$30 through June 1. After that tickets will be \$40 and increase to \$50 on Aug. 1 through the festival which will be Friday and Saturday, Aug. 15-16.

Indiana Vintage Market has confirmed to be at Ribberfest on Saturday. “It’s a lot of younger people who sell vintage clothing. Our goal this year is to get younger people out,” said Shew, who anticipates that will help to achieve that.

Terri Suiter, coordinator of Nights Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes, said four homes have been lined up for this year’s event, needing two more homes for the tour to be held Nov. 28-29 and Dec. 5-6.

Suiter will be helped coordinate this year’s event by Madonna Wilson, who has been hired as a part-time assistant.

CARROLL

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Braxton Eaglin was 2-for-3 with a double for Switzerland while Carson Byrd had a double and an RBI. Roman Hite had a hit and scored a run and Jackson Sparks had a hit.

Tryson Warren pitched all seven innings for the win. Warren allowed just five hits and struck out two. Zayne Smith allowed five runs on seven hits in 4-2/3 innings and was hit with the loss.

Southwestern, now 8-5 overall and 5-0 Ohio River Valley Conference, hosted Jac-Cen-Del on Wednesday and plays Scottsburg in a doubleheader on Saturday. The Rebels then travel to Rising Sun next Wednesday.



Abby Hooven

Carroll County’s Coy Willhoite celebrates after being driven in on a three-run home run by Luke Taylor in the bottom of the first inning on Monday.

Switzerland, now 5-3 overall and 2-2 ORVC, traveled to Rising Sun Wednes-

day and faces both Brownstown and Eastern (Pekin) at Brownstown on Saturday. The Pacers then travel to Shawe on Monday and host South Ripley on Tuesday.

Trimble County scored two runs in the third inning and three more in the fourth to post a 5-4 win over Eminence at home on Tuesday.

Jacoby Clark had a hit and two RBIs to lead Trimble while Liam Taylor had a hit and scored two runs. Dylan Penick and Noah Chilton each added a hit.

Nolan Hunt picked up the win after giving up two earned runs on three hits in 5-1/3 innings on the mound with six strikeouts.

Trimble, now 5-11 overall and 2-5 in 31st District play, traveled to Eminence on Thursday and hosts

Owen County next Tuesday.

Shawe gave up only five hits but also had five errors in a 9-2 loss at home to South Ripley on Monday.

The Hilltoppers picked up four hits with Jacob Hart going 2-for-3, Traevin Liston getting a hit and two RBIs, Brogan Johnson getting a hit and Cavaan Hambrick and Connor Kahn each scoring a run.

Hart allowed four earned runs on five hits in four innings and suffered the loss.

Shawe, now 0-9 overall and 0-5 ORVC, traveled to Milan on Wednesday, hosts Rock Creek on Friday and heads to Christian Academy of Indiana on Saturday. The Hilltoppers then host Switzerland County on Monday.

MADISON

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Other top finishes for Madison boys were: Ben Crouch, second, 400 dash, 54.04; Travis Hoffman, second, 1600 run, 4:48.03; L.J. Harvey, second, 110 hurdles, 17.14 and second, 300 hurdles, 44.04; Mason Davis, second, pole vault, 10-6; Jason Cosby, second, discus, 136-3; 1600 relay, second, 3:50.39; Sam Crouch, third, 1600 run, 4:48.90; and William Overpeck, third, discus, 121-7.

Other top finishes for the Madison girls were: Delilah Gibson, second, high jump, 4-10; Elena Hinze, second, pole vault, 6-6; 400 relay, second, 53.54; 3200

relay, second, 11:28.66; Scout Porter, third, 400 dash, 1:05.61; Haley Ferguson, third, 800 run, 2:36.12; Sofia Bentz, third, 100 hurdles, 18.24; and Keragan Spry, third, discus, 71-8 and third, shot put, 26-3.75.

Other top finishes for the Southwestern girls were: Mikayla Nussbaum, second, 400 dash, 1:05.54; Sophie Ford, second, 800 run, 2:31.77; 400 relay, fourth, 58.04; Katja Pretorius, fifth, shot put, 23-7; Natalee Crawford, sixth, high jump, 4-6; and Harlee Turner, sixth, discus, 56-3.

Other top finishes for the Southwestern boys were: Pagerick Giltner, second, 800 run, 2:19.56; Caden Ream, second, 3200 run, 11:12.32; Landon Higgs, second, long jump,

18-9; Bryce Weber, second, shot put, 38-11; 3200 relay, second, 9:22.35; Zeke Weatherbee, third, 100 dash, 11.64; Leyton Lare, third, 800 run, 2:29.40; and Elliot Brooks, third, 110 hurdles, 18.54.

Other top finishes for the Switzerland County girls were: Emma Parsons, second, 200 dash, 28.24 and third, 100 dash, 12.94; Taylor Kappes, second, 200 dash, 28.24; Amber Detmer, second, 3200 run, 13:04.49 and third, 1600 run, 6:16.64; Madison Spilman, second, long jump, 15-6.5; Addy Preston, second, discus, 91-8; 1600 relay, second, 4:35.84; Lauren Smith, third, 300 hurdles, 53.74; Baylee Romans, third, high jump, 4-10 and third, long jump, 14-7; and

3200 relay, third, 11:52.60.

Other top results for the Switzerland boys were: Ty Lay, second, 100 dash, 11.34; Matt Young, second, 200 dash, 24.34 and second, high jump, 5-10; 400 relay, second, 46.04; Landon Penhall, third, 400 dash, 54.74; Landon Gross, third, 3200 run, 11:37.95; Alex Bailey, high jump, third, 5-8 and third, long jump, 16-4; Kolvin Beck, third, shot put, 37-9; and 3200 relay, third, 9:38.16.

Madison traveled to Shelbyville on Thursday and hosts Jennings County next Tuesday. Switzerland County hosted Shawe and Southwestern on Thursday and heads to South Ripley next Tuesday. Southwestern competes at Charles-town next Tuesday.

FEMA opens Disaster Recovery Center in Carroll

Carroll approved for Individual Assistance, Trimble requested

BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear on Friday announced that President Donald Trump has approved part of his April 11 request for a Major Disaster Declaration, which includes Individual Assistance for Kentuckians in 13 counties — including Carroll County — affected by the most recent flooding.

On Tuesday, Beshear confirmed that he has sent two additional requests to FEMA seeking aid for families and communities affected by April’s floods including Individual Assistance for flood victims in Trimble County.

Meanwhile, the FEMA has opened a Disaster Recovery Center in Carroll County to offer in-person support to Kentucky survivors who experienced loss as the result of the April storms, straight-line winds, flooding, landslides and mudslides. The Disaster Recovery Center in Carroll is located at the Carrollton Utilities Operations center, 900 Clay Street, Carrollton, and hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1-7 p.m. Sunday.

FEMA representatives can explain available assistance programs, how to apply to FEMA, and help connect survivors with resources for their recovery needs. FEMA is encouraging Kentuckians affected by the April storms to apply for federal disaster assistance as soon as possible. The deadline to apply is June 25.

The Governor’s requests for Public Assistance for 33 counties and hazard mitigation for the entire state are still pending.

Beshear request on Tuesday is for families in 16 more counties — including Trimble County — to receive Individual Assistance to help them recover. He has also asked for Public Assistance for 64 total counties in which FEMA has validated damages. The Governor has also renewed his request for approval for hazard mitigation for the entire state.

In addition to Carroll County, Individual Assistance has been approved for Anderson, Butler, Christian, Clark, Franklin, Hardin, Hopkins, Jessamine, McCracken, Mer-

cer, Owen and Woodford counties. The Governor will request that additional counties be added to the declaration through an amendment once ongoing assessments are complete.

“This declaration is crucial because so many Kentucky families have been significantly affected by this event, and the greatest impact has been felt by our families whose homes were flooded,” Gov. Beshear said. “We are again thankful to President Trump and his administration for approving this critical funding. Just like before, we will get through this — together. And I promise that we will be there for our people as long as it takes.”

HOW TO APPLY

Kentuckians can visit any FEMA Disaster Recovery Center to get in-person assistance. No appointment is needed. To find all other center locations, including those in other states, go to fema.gov/drc or text “DRC” and a Zip Code to 43362.

You don’t have to visit a center to apply for FEMA assistance. There are other ways to apply: online at DisasterAssistance.gov, use the FEMA App for mobile devices or call 800-621-3362. If you use a relay service, such as Video Relay Service (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA the number for that service.

When applying for disaster recovery assistance, you will need to provide:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted.
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying.
- Your Social Security Number.
- A general list of damage and losses.
- Banking information if you choose direct deposit.
- If insured, the policy number or the agent and/or the company name.

For more information about Kentucky flooding recovery, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4860 and www.fema.gov/disaster/4864. Follow the FEMA Region 4 X account at x.com/femaregion4.

PACERS

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Antetokounmpo wasn’t pleased, either, after his team blew a seven-point lead in the final 40 seconds of overtime, sending the Bucks to their third straight first-round exit. The two-time MVP didn’t recognize John Haliburton, thinking he was just another fan who had run onto the court.

Antetokounmpo said he likes Haliburton, calling him a great competitor, but he said John Haliburton displaying a towel with his son’s image while yelling “this is what we (expletive) do” was wrong.

“I feel like that’s very, very disrespectful,” said Antetokounmpo, who finished with 30 points, 20 rebounds and 13 assists.

Haliburton seemed genuinely upset about the incident, promising to reach out to Antetokounmpo before the teams play again.

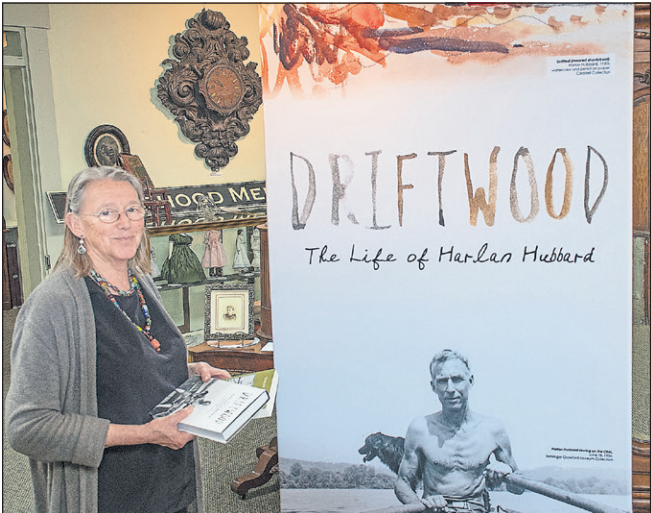
“I’ll talk to Giannis

about it eventually,” said Haliburton, who grew up in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. “I don’t think my pops was in the right at all there. It’s unfortunate what happened at the end there.

“It’s unfortunate what happened there (the scuffle), but I think it’s just competition,” he added. “As far as my pops, I don’t agree with what happened there. We’ll have a conversation.”

Antetokounmpo told a story about the Bucks’ 2020-21 championship season, when his mother attended every game from mid-February through the title run. The Greek superstar said his mom wasn’t even sure whether she could come onto the court to hug him at the end of the final game and noted that his family members typically don’t sit courtside.

The Pacers and Bucks have met 20 times over the past two seasons, with the Pacers winning eight 11 playoff games and both postseason series in an increasingly heated rivalry.



Above: Martha Bladen, executive director of the Switzerland County Historical Society, in front of one of the panels of the traveling exhibit for “Driftwood: The Life of Harlan Hubbard,” currently on display at the Switzerland County Historical Museum, 208 East Market St., Vevay.

Bob Demaree

Left: Harlan and Anna Hubbard reading letters of correspondence at their home on Payne Hollow in Trimble County.

John Fetting

New biography tells more of Hubbard’s life

Traveling exhibit currently on display at Switzerland County Historical Museum

BY BOB DEMAREE
The story of Harlan Hubbard, known for his simple lifestyle and his art, has been told many times before but a new biography goes deeper as author Jessica Whitehead tells how “someone so extraordinary as Harlan Hubbard became Harlan Hubbard.”
The book, “Driftwood: The Life of Harlan Hubbard,” was released Feb. 25, with a traveling exhibit that is currently on display until May 10 at the Switzerland County Historical Society which this year is celebrating its 100th anniversary.
“This book has really opened my eyes as to what a rich background Harlan Hubbard had,” said Martha Bladen, executive director of the Switzerland County Historical Society, which will also host Whitehead for a book talk and autograph signing at 1 p.m. on Friday, May 9, at the Switzerland County Public Library, 205 Ferry St., Vevay.
“There have been several really stellar books written about the Hubbards before mine,” said

Whitehead, a 2011 graduate of Hanover College. However, she said the previous books “left a lot of details out that I thought certainly were interesting to me” that she felt more people would also be interested in knowing. “The purpose of my biography was to fill in some of those gaps, and to make sure that the entire extraordinary life of Harlan was being told.”
Much of what has been told of Hubbard’s life in the past has been about his life after marrying his wife, Anna, in 1943, and the following year when they built a shantyboat and traveled down the Ohio River and Mississippi River, before building their home at Payne Hollow in Trimble County in 1951, where they lived out the rest of their lives.
“The whole story with Anna has been told in Harlan’s own words but also in the words of others and has been told many times,” said Whitehead.
Hubbard’s book, “Shantyboat” recounts the eight-year journey from Brent, Kentucky, to New

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A johnboat sits on the bank of the Ohio River between the Payne Hollow home of Harlan and Anna Hubbard in Trimble County.

John Fetting

CHARLIE’S BEAT

Rusty Bladen’s Neil Young Tribute night

“There are three reasons I signed on to Rusty Bladen’s Neil Young Tribute night,” relates Robert Reynolds, a Grammy-winning musician who now calls Madison (well, Brooksburg) home. “First is my deep and abiding love of the entire Neil Young catalog of music. The more I dive into Neil’s five-decade career, the greater my fan ship becomes.
“The second reason I’m excited about this show,” happening May 17 at the Ohio Theatre, “is Rusty’s singing voice, and the powerful way he interprets and respects Neil’s songs. In fact, the first time I ever heard Rusty sing was at the annual Obscure Neil Young night at Thomas Family Winery, about eight years ago. He just blew me away with the quality and character of his voice. He wasn’t imitating Neil Young, but he was capturing the essence. It’s amazing, really.
“And the third reason to join this project is the absolute honor it represents for me and Mark Bear to be the rhythm section for this iconic music. I’ll be on bass and Mark on drums, and we’ll be the foundation for what is arguably some of the greatest American rock music of our time. Who wouldn’t want to be a part of that?”
Before I dug into the details of this Neil Young event with



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Rick Banda

Local musicians will gather at the Ohio Theatre on Saturday May 17 for Rusty Bladen’s Neil Young Tribute night including (from left) Jackson Bladen on keyboards; Dave Tuttle on pedal steel guitar; Rusty Bladen on guitar, harmonica and vocals; Mark Bear on drums and vocals; and Robert Reynolds on bass.

Rusty, I took a minute to catch up on his music career since the last time we chatted. “Well, I’m actually seeking out and playing more what I’d call quality gigs these days,” explained Rusty. “Bigger

showcases and more festivals, things like that. It gives me more free time to spend with my family.
“The other thing I’ve been up to is recording a new EP with four brand new original songs

which will be releasing in July. There’s one titled ‘Dark Days,’ which is actually a happy tune. ‘Meth & Moonshine’ I wrote with James Buckwalter. ‘Float’ is about floating down the river with the one you love. And ‘Ode

to Radio’ I wrote with Robert, about the bygone days of music radio.
“But as I was planning my summer of shows, I noticed so many bands and venues were featuring tribute music. And as it happens, I’ve been thinking about doing a Neil Young tribute for decades. I actually first learned to play guitar with Neil’s music. I bought his songbook at the music store, it was about 2-inches thick, and I just plowed through all those great favorites, learning them all.
“So I decided there was no time like the present, and I started organizing this show. I got Robert and Mark Bear to agree to do bass and drums, Dave Tuttle came on to play steel guitar, and my son, Jackson, will be on keyboards. One cool thing I’ve discovered during rehearsals is Mark has an amazing singing voice I didn’t know about. He’ll be singing some backup and harmony.
“As far as the set list, I would say it’s a mix of Neil’s hits, of which there were so many, plus a number of his deeper cuts that I think are special but may not have gotten as much air play.
Interestingly, he only ever had one number one hit, with ‘Heart of Gold.’ We’re gonna start with his early acoustic stuff and work our way through to the later grunge era of his later years.
“Honestly, we could do another show like this, all Neil

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Bethany announces strategic organization restructuring

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Bethany Legacy Foundation (BLF) has announced a strategic organizational restructure to align with the recent unveiling of Legacy 2030 and its six-year strategic plan.

The changes involve Morgan Hamilton moving into the newly created position of Community Engagement Manager and Ronnie Watson to the new position of Grants and Impact Director, along with another new position of Program Associate that will be posted in May.

This is part of the evolution of BLF that has refined roles, clarified responsibilities, and created the new positions to fully leverage the expertise, passion and creativity of its staff, according to a BLF press release, that's termed as intentional restructuring that reflects BLF's commitment to building from within and creating a workplace where people thrive while driving meaningful, community-centered change.

"Over the past several months, we have engaged deeply with our partners,

grantees, and community leaders to craft a strategy that is both aspirational and grounded in the real needs of the people we serve," said Dora Anim, President and CEO of Bethany Legacy Foundation. "This organizational restructure ensures we are positioned to deliver on that vision with clarity. We took a thoughtful approach — one that honors the incredible strengths of our existing team and creates space for them to lead, grow and innovate."

Hamilton and Watson

each previously served as program managers.

In Hamilton's new role as Community Engagement Manager, she will be responsible for strengthening the capabilities of BLF's grantees through capacity-building activities. Hamilton will also manage the marketing and events functions of BLF.

In Watson's new role as Grants and Impact Director, she will lead the implementation and evaluation of BLF's grant making, processes and strategic initiatives. Watson will work

collaboratively with community partners, grantees, and stakeholders to drive impact and innovation and will supervise the Program Associate.

A newly created position of Program Associate will be responsible for supporting BLF's grant making, proposal review and grantee engagement. These changes build on BLF's commitment to being a catalytic partner in improving health outcomes and strengthening the systems that support well-being in the region.

The full six-year strategic plan, released last month, outlines BLF's commitment to addressing root causes of health disparities, investing in local leadership, and fostering vibrant, resilient communities.

"This is more than a structural shift — it's a statement of intent," added Julie Berry, Chair of the BLF Board of Directors. "We're aligning our people and processes with a transformative vision for the future, and we're excited to walk this journey alongside our community".

Norton KDH Cancer Center to host skin cancer screening

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Norton King's Daughters' Health Cancer Center will host a no-cost community skin cancer screening event Wednesday, May 21, from 3 to 6 p.m., on the Norton King's Daughters' Health campus, 1373 E. State Road 62, Madison. No appointment is required. Attendees will be seen in the order of their arrival.

The goal of the community skin cancer screening is to evaluate common sun-exposed areas, such as the head, neck, arms and legs. Attendees with a specific area of concern should notify the staff upon arrival. Screenings will take place in private rooms, and gowns will be available.

According the American Cancer Society, skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States. An estimated 5.4 million people in the U.S. are diagnosed with skin cancer each year. While basal and squamous cell carcinomas are the most common skin cancers, melanoma is the most serious, causing around 8,000 deaths per year in the U.S.

While the risk of skin cancer generally increases with age, it can develop at any time. Routinely check your skin for any changes. To reduce your risk of developing skin cancer, protect your skin by staying out of the sun during peak hours, wearing protective clothing and using approved sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30.



Handout
Carroll County High School held its prom Saturday with William Tomlin (left) named king and Addison Campbell (right) crowned queen.



Tammy Hayes
Switzerland County High School held its 2025 Prom Saturday with Cooper Hon (left) crowned King and Bri Stow (right) crowned Queen.

Winning Journeyman team includes to two Madison residents



BY THE COURIER STAFF
The team of T.J. Lewis, Bret Lewis and Micah Higgins-Baer took first place in the Journeyman team awards in the recent Midwest Lineman's Rodeo in Plainfield, advancing them to the International Lineman's Rodeo in Bonner Springs, Kansas, on Oct. 18.

Lewis and Higgins-Baer, both of Madison, and Lewis, of Aurora, were among 12 Duke Energy lineworkers from Indiana who took home top awards at the Midwest Lineman's Rodeo. At the International

Rodeo, they they will compete alongside elite lineworkers from around the world.

Lineman's rodeos showcase the skills and abilities of electrical lineworkers and involve various challenges that test proficiency in traditional job-related tasks such as climbing poles, handling tools, making equipment repairs and performing rescue operations — while also promoting safety, camaraderie and teamwork. Categories scored included equipment repair, pole climbs and "hurt man" rescues.

Duke Energy 2025 Midwest Rodeo Journeyman Overall winners (from left): T.J. Lewis, Bret Lewis and Micah Higgins-Baer at the trophy presentation with Chris Lange.

Handout

Art by Southwestern VOICE members featured at state event

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Art work by three Southwestern students was recently chosen to be featured as part of a statewide initiative against tobacco use by VOICE, Indiana's statewide youth empowerment movement.

Southwestern seniors Raygan Crawford and Chloey Leach, and junior Arriana Kappler are members of Southwestern's VOICE club, who each had their art included in the art show held in April at the Phoenix Theater in Indianapolis, where a short film about commercial tobacco control.

This statewide 9-month project, designed by VOICE Youth Ambassadors, harnesses the power of creative expression to expose the harmful influence of Big Tobacco on Indiana youth. The initiative mobilizes local VOICE Action Squads across the state to challenge tobacco industry tactics through storytelling, art and advocacy.

The project included:

- A Storytelling Project for Red Ribbon Week: A collection of personal stories from youth struggling with addiction and those committed to a tobacco-free lifestyle.



Handout
Arriana Kappler was also recognized for her tobacco prevention-related software created for the VOICE Indiana youth tobacco prevention program at Southwestern High School.

- A Day of Action at the Indiana Statehouse: Collected commitment cards of why VOICE members are inspired to do this work.
- Activism Campaign: A creative movement utilizing visual arts, video, and music to challenge the normalization of tobacco and vaping in communities.

"This opportunity has allowed us to blend art with activism in a way that truly resonates with youth," said Blake Hurst, VOICE Youth Ambassa-



Southwestern High School students participating in the VOICE Indiana youth tobacco prevention program recently had their art featured statewide: Chloey Leach (left) and Raygan Crawford (right).

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US has nearly 900 measles cases

10 states have active outbreaks; Indiana with 8 cases in Allen

BY DEVI SHASTRI
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A federal health agency says the U.S. has 884 confirmed measles cases this year as of Friday, April 25. That's triple the amount seen in all of 2024. Two children and an adult have died from measles-related illnesses this year. Ten states have active outbreaks: Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Texas. Texas has 663 cases. Measles is caused by a highly contagious virus that's airborne and spreads easily when an infected person breathes, sneezes or coughs. It is prevented by vaccines. Cases also have been reported in Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia and Washington.

With one-fifth of states seeing active measles outbreaks, the U.S. is nearing 900 cases, according to figures posted Friday by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CDC's confirmed measles cases count is 884, triple the amount seen in all of 2024. The now three-month-long outbreak in Texas accounts for the vast majority of cases, with 663 confirmed as of Tuesday. The outbreak has also spread to New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Two unvaccinated elementary school-aged children died from measles-related illnesses in the epicenter in West

Texas, and an adult in New Mexico who was not vaccinated died of a measles-related illness.

Other states with active outbreaks — defined as three or more cases — include Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Montana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Tennessee.

North America has two other ongoing outbreaks. One in Ontario, Canada, has resulted in 1,020 cases from mid-October through Wednesday. And as of Tuesday, the Mexican state of Chihuahua state had 761 measles cases and one death, according to data from the state health ministry. The World Health Organization has said cases in Mexico are linked to the Texas outbreak.

Measles is caused by a highly contagious virus that's airborne and spreads easily when an infected person breathes, sneezes or coughs. It is preventable through vaccines, and has been considered eliminated from the U.S. since 2000.

As the virus takes hold in other U.S. communities with low vaccination rates, health experts fear the virus that the spread could stretch on for a year. Here's what else you need to know about measles in the U.S.

HOW MANY MEASLES CASES ARE THERE IN TEXAS AND NEW MEXICO?

Texas state health officials said Tuesday there were 17 new cases of measles since Friday, bringing the total to 663 across 26 counties — most of them in West Texas. The state also added 23 hospitalizations

to its count Tuesday saying they were from earlier in the outbreak, for a total of 87 hospitalizations.

State health officials estimated about 1% of cases — fewer than 10 — are actively infectious.

Sixty% of Texas' cases are in Gaines County, population 22,892, where the virus started spreading in a close-knit, under-vaccinated Mennonite community. The county has had 396 cases since late January — just over 1.5% of the county's residents.

The April 3 death in Texas was an 8-year-old child, according to Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. Health officials in Texas said the child did not have underlying health conditions and died of "what the child's doctor described as measles pulmonary failure." A unvaccinated child with no underlying conditions died of measles in Texas in late February — Kennedy said age 6.

New Mexico announced one new case Friday, bringing the state's total to 66. Seven people have been hospitalized since the outbreak started. Most of the state's cases are in Lea County. Three are in Eddy County and Chaves and Doña Ana counties have one each.

State health officials say the cases are linked to Texas' outbreak based

on genetic testing. New Mexico reported a measles-related death in an adult on March 6.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN INDIANA?

Indiana confirmed two more cases April 21 in an outbreak that has sickened eight in Allen County in the northeast part of the state — five are unvaccinated minors and three are adults whose vaccination status is unknown. The cases have no known link to other outbreaks, the Allen County Department of Health said last week.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN KANSAS?

Kansas was steady last week with 37 cases in eight counties in the southwest part of the state. Finney, Ford, Grant, Gray and Morton counties have fewer than five cases each. Haskell County has the most with eight cases, Stevens County has seven, Kiowa County has six.

The state's first reported case, identified in Stevens County on March 13, is linked to the Texas outbreak based on genetic testing.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN MICHIGAN?

Montcalm County, near Grand Rapids in western Michigan, has four linked measles cases. State health officials say the cases are tied to Can-

ada's large outbreak in Ontario. The state has nine confirmed measles cases as of Friday, but the remaining four are not part of the Montcalm County outbreak.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN MONTANA?

Montana state health officials announced five cases April 17 in unvaccinated children and adults who had traveled out of state, and confirmed it was an outbreak on Monday. All five are isolating at home in Gallatin County in the southwest part of the state.

They are Montana's first measles cases in 35 years. Health officials didn't say whether the cases are linked to other outbreaks in North America.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN OHIO?

The Ohio Department of Health confirmed 32 measles cases in the state Thursday, and one hospitalization. The state count includes only Ohio residents. There are 16 cases in Ashtabula County near Cleveland, 14 in Knox County and one each in Allen and Holmes counties.

Health officials in Knox County, in east-central Ohio, said there are a total of 20 people with measles, but seven of them do not live in the state.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN OKLAHOMA?

Oklahoma added two cases Tuesday: 12 confirmed and three probable. The first two probable cases were "associated" with the West Texas and New Mexico outbreaks, the state health department said. The

state health department is not releasing which counties have cases, but Cleveland, Custer, Oklahoma and Sequoyah counties have had public exposures in the past couple of months.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN PENNSYLVANIA?

There are eight measles cases in Erie County in far northwest Pennsylvania, officials said Friday. The county declared an outbreak in mid-April. The state said Friday it has 13 cases overall in 2025, including international travel-related cases in Montgomery County and one in Philadelphia.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN TENNESSEE?

Tennessee has six measles cases as of Thursday. Health department spokesman Bill Christian said all cases are the middle part of the state, and that "at least three of these cases are linked to each other" but declined to specify further. The state also did not say whether the cases were linked to other outbreaks or when Tennessee's outbreak started.

The state health department announced the state's first measles case March 21, three more on April 1 and the last two on April 17, but none of the news releases declared an outbreak. Tennessee is on a list of outbreak states in a Thursday CDC report.

WHERE ELSE IS MEASLES SHOWING UP IN THE U.S.?

There have been 884 cases in 2025 as of Friday, according to the

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HOROSCOPE

MAY 2
ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your intuition could be more on point than you realize. You might slip someone a quiet hint of what's simmering inside you. If love taps on your door tonight, you may not want to leave it hanging out on the porch without an answer.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Look before you leap with money. Diving into your funds too soon could send your finances on a wild ride. Look for practical ways to remain generous and share them with your partner as things could turn around soon enough.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might have important news to deliver to someone. Their reaction could be based more on your delivery and how you tell them instead of the words you use. Think carefully about the way you present them with the information.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) Numerous distractions may interfere with your concentration. You could feel like you're spinning your wheels and not getting anywhere. Your love life might be more likely to run smoothly and seem more effortless than your career.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take charge and make waves. Find ways to drive real outcomes through your own hustle, not by waiting for a thumbs-up from the crowd. Deal with the small stuff, staying sharp and organized could be your ticket to winning.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Embrace the simple moments that make life worth living. Even if your dreamy outlook gets overlooked, your heart is in the right place. Consider planting some flowers or caring for an animal to take a break from life's rough edges.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Normally, you may roll with the punches life brings but you might be taking things more to heart right now. Tune inward and ask why everything seems so personal today: Are you being triggered, or are you overly attached to an outcome?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Negotiations may charge ahead with momentum. Play fair and stay collaborative, and you could craft a deal that keeps everyone happy. New ambitions might spark in you over the weekend as you might feel empowered by loved ones.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Stroll through the day with a grin, but don't bank on every promise holding up just because you're riding high. Look for ways to go the extra mile for others. Stay on top of thank-yous and give credit where it is due.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Something you've been working on for a long time may be finally settling into a more final form. You've prepared the foundation well enough that derailing the thing or making changes could be more difficult than letting it happen.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Logic lovers might find their moment. If your mind thrives on research, facts, and puzzles, today's vibe might hit your sweet spot. Left-brain energy could be in full swing so look to databases, reference materials, notes, and lists of ideas.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your skills are hot property, and the workload might ramp up. Put others first, even if it feels like it keeps you under the radar. Tough nuts don't crack; use your imagination to make a routine task into an enjoyable game.

Sudoku solution

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Friday's unlisted clue hint: I — YOU ON INSTAGRAM

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HOROSCOPE

MAY 3
ARIES (March 21-April 19) Good judgment should be yours, especially when handling assets. Take advantage of advice or opportune openings that could help you succeed. High ideals can motivate you to make the world a better place but may require new skills.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Breakdowns of machinery or sudden reversals may demand resourcefulness and quick thinking. Extra funds may be available if the need arises. This might be your chance to ask for assistance while bigheartedness is in the air.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't take loved ones for granted or expect someone else to pick up the tab every time. Consider looking for bargains and considering everything when tallying things up. Being reliable could be the best way to show others you care.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) The value of an idea may not be seen or understood until later. More research might be necessary, so focus on finding more practical applications. Being candid with loved ones could gain you the support or assistance you crave.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Being generous and cooperative could help to avoid conflict but don't allow disrespect. Let others do their own thing without stirring things up or provoking them. Avoid being in such a hurry that you become inconsiderate of others' feelings.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take it easy. You may be revved up while others are in chill mode. Pushing too hard for sudden change might ruffle feathers so look for compromises. Hold off on big relationship moves; appreciate the people who care about you.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) A lapse in judgment might slow you down, which may make it tough to stand out. Don't sweat it if you don't dazzle everyone right now. You may brush off challenges and offers alike by taking your time to research before deciding.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) The mood of "paying it forward" is in the air. Your heart is in the right place, so favors or generous gestures could come your way more often. One true blue homie who you can count on is better than ten flakey and uncertain friends.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Your choice to be more practical could cause little ripples. A shift from hot enthusiasm to cool appraisals could confuse others who may wonder if something is wrong. Your necessities might interfere with your pleasures.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be content and look for the upside of what is currently meeting your needs. It's more important to maintain what you have than to reach for something beyond your grasp. Sometimes, being an unsuspecting outsider may work in your favor.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You might not regret your generosity or fun nights, but it may be wise to curtail spending. Magic between lovers is something to treasure, staying home with a significant other might appeal to you more than going out tonight.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Focus more energy on your positive traits rather than your imperfections. Watch out; constant negativity may plant seeds of discontent. Instead of allowing worry to flourish, work out ways to maintain a state of health and abundance.

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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40 Felon's flight
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43 Spa sounds
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47 Tidy up
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51 Wrong
52 Masonry finish
53 Struck, old-style
54 Small fruit pies

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23 Churchill's smoke
25 Candied veggie
27 High tennis shot
29 Jumble
31 Journalist Sawyer (Abbr.)
32 Aisle escorts
33 Rid of weaponry
34 Vegas lead-in
36 Choose museum pieces
38 Augment
41 Central part
44 Crooked
45 — good example
48 Uncle, to Pedro
50 Snarler, of a sort

Solution time: 26 mins.

Today's solution

Sudoku solution

1	4	9	2	6	5	8	7
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Jumble solution

GOING BOXER BOXNET FINALE
because it was a — FEEL BIG ONE

Sleuth solution

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because it was a — FEEL BIG ONE

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

NOIGG
XOREB
NEOBTN
LEAIFN

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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A F L A I T N E D I F N O C D
B Z X P R V T T L N R Q O T M
K I H F D D B E Z G Y W V T R
Q O N L K I H F D C A Z X W V

Friday's unlisted clue: FOLLOW

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Saturday's unlisted clue hint: HANDLE WITH —

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1 Riyadh residents
6 Remedies
11 Big fan
12 Tolerates
14 Sheathe
15 Eye part
16 Director Ang
17 Ravi's instrument
19 Govt. stipend
20 Scurry
22 Paris appellation
23 Not single-sex
24 Analyze
26 Philanthropist — French Gates
28 Shriver of tennis
30 Journal
31 Ven- ezuelan maestro Gustavo

DOWN
35 Iraqi port city
39 Mother of Horus
40 Felon's flight
42 Oboe insert
43 Spa sounds
44 Foundation
46 Honorary legal deg.
47 Tidy up
49 Duplicity
51 Wrong
52 Masonry finish
53 Struck, old-style
54 Small fruit pies

18 Male turkey
21 Spanish snacks
23 Churchill's smoke
25 Candied veggie
27 High tennis shot
29 Jumble
31 Journalist Sawyer (Abbr.)
32 Aisle escorts
33 Rid of weaponry
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Solution time: 26 mins.

Today's solution

Sudoku solution

	1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9	10	
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IN THE MATTER OF THE
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDI-
ANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF BRENDA ESTES,
DECEASED.
Notice is hereby given that
Terry Schmidt was, on the
17th day of April, 2025, ap-
pointed personal representa-
tive of the estate of Brenda
Estes, deceased, who died on
the 17th day of February,
2025. All persons who have
claims against this estate,
whether or not now due, must
file the claim in the office of
the Clerk of this Court within
three (3) months from the date
of the first publication of this
notice, or within nine (9)
months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or
the claims will be forever
barred.
Dated at Madison, Indiana,
this 17th day of April, 2025.
Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Jefferson County, IN
/s/ Tabatha Eblen
Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Jefferson County, IN



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CAUSE NO.: 78C01-2504-
EU-000010

IN RE THE ESTATE OF
RICKEY JAY WILLIAMS,
DECEASED,
CASEY J. WILLIAMS,
Petitioner.

**NOTICE OF
ADMINISTRATION**
Casey J. Williams and Wilmer
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Dated at Vevay, Indiana, this
22nd day of April, 2025.
/s/ Karin S. Dutkiewicz
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Switzerland County, Indiana
Wilmer E. Goering, II
GOERING LAW LLC
817 E. Main Street, Suite B
Vevay, IN 47043
(812) 427-2135
*Attorney for Co-Personal
Representatives*
I, hereby, certify that the fore-
going complies with the re-
quirements of Ind. Trial Rule
5(G) with respect to the in-
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/s/ Wilmer E. Goering, II
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TimelessLIVE! — Open Stage Night (6 p.m.)
Lighthouse — Bee Camp Bottom Boys (6-9 p.m.)
Mad Paddle Brewstillery — Bike Night w/ Matt Red Moore (7 p.m.)

THURSDAY, MAY 1
Rivertown Grill — Zach Hackney (8-11 p.m.)
Mad Paddle Brewstillery — Pickers Circle (7-10 p.m.)
Lighthouse — L&L Karaoke (6-10 p.m.)

FRIDAY, MAY 2
Riverboat Inn — Joe & Deano (7-10 p.m.)
Rivertown Grill — Anthony Ray Wright (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)
Central — JD Chappell (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)
Lighthouse — Indiana Bob (8-11 p.m.)

Mad Paddle Brewstillery — L&L Karaoke (7:30 p.m.)
1st Street Saloon — DeadEye Drifters
Tailgators — Liquor Boxx (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

SATURDAY, MAY 3
1st Street Saloon — DJ Nate
Rivertown Grill — Karaoke (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)
Timeless Live — Chris Canas Band (8 p.m.)
Riverboat Inn — Erik Brunner
Richwood on the River — Madison Music
Movement Derby Party (2-10 p.m.)
Madison Farmers Market — Jordan Wilson (10 a.m.-Noon)
Off Broadway Taproom — Vaguely Familiar (8-11 p.m.)
Lighthouse — Keagan Hatton (7-11 p.m.)
Mad Paddle Brewstillery — EMO Nights
Taylor Swift Version (8 p.m.)

SUNDAY, MAY 4
Rivertown Grill — Darryl Hewitt (8-11 p.m.)

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FROM PAGE B1

Young music, and not have a single repeat song. That just goes to show the depth and enduring quality of his music. Oh, I want to mention our sponsors who make this kind of special show possible. Steinhardt's, Crawdaddy Music, MadLove and The Auxier Family. Their support gives me the confidence to go ahead and book a show like this and hire professional sound and lighting. I can't thank them enough.

"It's going to be a multimedia experience too, with projected images up on the Ohio Theatre screen behind the band. Photos of Neil and images that support the themes of the songs. It should be a really great trip down memory lane, and I know

from rehearsals that the music is going to be very impactful and moving. Tickets are available at MadTixEvents.com."

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK

The Lighthouse is open folks! Something is going on every night Wednesday through Saturday. Get on down there and get your "float" on! Speaking of Wednesday, I'm seeing FOUR live music events on the midweek hump day. It's getting so you can have the full Indiana's Music City experience during the week now too, not just weekends. And speaking of weekends, I

spy something different and fun at Mad Paddle Saturday night. A show called "EMO Nights Taylor Swift Version" is happening there at 8 p.m., and it's really cool to see the level of genre diversity creeping into our music scene. Y'all get your friendship bracelets on and head over to that show, it should be a hoot. See on the streets of Madison friends!

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

"Honestly, we could do another show like this, all Neil Young music, and not have a single repeat song. That just goes to show the depth and enduring quality of his music."

— Rusty Bladen

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Alcohol & Tobacco Commission
LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Alcohol Beverage Board of Jefferson County, Indiana will hold a public hearing at 1:00 pm on May 12, 2025 at the Troy D Morgan Public Safety Cntr, Mtg Rm, 620 Green Rd., in the city of Madison in said county, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein to wit:

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LEGAL NOTICE

SOUTHWESTERN JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION
Notice of Public Hearing on May 19, 2025
4:30 P.M.

Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation
239 South Main Cross Street
Hanover, IN 47243

On May 19, 2025, at 4:30 p.m., the Board of School Trustees of the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation will meet to discuss and hear objections to and support for a proposed Superintendent contract. A summary of the proposed contract is as follows:

- **Base Annual Salary:** \$130,000
- **Performance Compensation:** The Superintendent will be evaluated at least once each school year. If the Superintendent receives an evaluation rating of either highly effective or effective, the Superintendent will be eligible for a base salary increase commensurate with increases provided to teachers.
- **Contract term:** July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028 with options for extensions
- **Work Year:** 260 days
- **Paid Holidays/Paid Days Off:** Corporation scheduled holidays in addition to 20 vacation days and 15 personal days
- **Bereavement Leave:** 5 days
- **Health Insurance:** Eligible participation in the group insurance plans, including health, dental and vision for a family plan with the Corporation paying a portion of the premium, if elected, will reduce the base salary by \$5,000.
- **Life Insurance:** The Corporation provides a term life insurance policy for the Superintendent with a face value of \$150,000. The Corporation pays the entire contribution except \$1.00 toward the Superintendent's premiums
- **Long Term Disability:** The Corporation provides long term disability insurance for the Superintendent
- **Teachers Retirement Fund (TRF):** The Corporation pays the Superintendent's statutorily required TRF contribution of the Superintendent's base salary plus the employer contribution
- **Tax Sheltered Annuity:** The Corporation shall contribute an annual amount equal to the contribution made for teachers pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement into tax sheltered annuity plan (401(a) and VEBa)
- **Retirement Benefit.** The Superintendent will receive an additional retirement benefit equal to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for each fully completed consecutive year of employment accumulated at the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation as per the Retirement Benefits Resolution for Administrators.
- **Automobile Allowance:** Reimbursement for mileage incurred for Corporation business outside of the district at the federal mileage rate is determined by the IRS
- **Technology Stipend:** \$100.00 monthly stipend
- **Professional Dues and Conferences:** The Corporation will pay or reimburse the Superintendent for appropriate business and professional expenses approved by the Board. Appropriate expenses shall include the cost of membership and participation in state and national professional associations of educational administrators, and expenses related to the Superintendent's attendance at conferences, courses and other professional development activities that aid in the continued professional growth and performance of duties.
- **Other Benefits:** Other benefits provided to teachers pursuant to the terms of the collective bargaining agreement between the school and it teachers' association
- **Duties of Superintendent:** The Superintendent is required to provide full time duties and attention to the business of the School Corporation and not to outside activities unless specifically approved by the Board.
- **Indemnification:** The School Corporation will defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Superintendent in legal actions involving incidents in which the Superintendent was legally acting within the scope of employment.
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The complete proposed contract of the Superintendent will be available on the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation's website and will be presented at the May 19, 2025, Public Hearing. After the hearing the Board of School Trustees has considered the public input, the Board will consider the adoption of the contract.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EVENTS

Spring Choir Festival

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
413 East Second St., Madison
Sunday, May 4 — 2 p.m.
Churches throughout the community features Easter anthems then gather together as a mass choir under the direction of Hanover College choral director Dr. Madlen Batchvarova.

Ulster Project Information Night

Madison-Jefferson County Public Library
420 West Main St., Madison
Tuesday, May 6, 5:30 p.m.
Madison Ulster Project, now in its 21st year, is searching for two more girl teens and four boy teens age 14-16 for the project this summer.

Music at the Mansion

Lanier Mansion Historic Site
Madison
Saturday, May 17, 6 p.m.
Music at the Mansion series will kick off its summer music season as the Madison Consolidated High School Band and Madison Community Concert Band take the stage.

IKE Retirees Breakfast

Clifty Inn, Madison
May 6 — 8 a.m.
The monthly breakfast of the retirees of Indiana Kentucky Electric Corp. and their guests will be at 8 a.m. Tuesday, May 6, at Clifty Inn.

FUNDRAISERS

Southwestern Food Pantry Car Show

Southwestern High School
167 Main Cross St., Hanover
Saturday, May 3, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Fundraiser for Southwestern High School Food Pantry. \$20 registration 9 a.m.-noon. Awards around 3 p.m. Canned food donations accepted. Rain date May 10. First 50 cars receive a dash plaque and goody bag. Top 20 and specialty class awards.

Rummage Sale

St. John's United Church of Christ
501 East Main St., Madison
Saturday, May 3, — 9 a.m.-6 p.m.;
Sunday, May 4, — Noon-3 p.m.
Spring rummage sale including snacks, baked sale items and drinks available.

La Casa Amiga Drive By Hispanic Dinner

Eggleston Community Center
419 East Street
Saturday, May 10, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Meal pick up will be at the corner of East Third Street and East Street. Cost is \$12 with all proceeds supporting La Casa Amiga to fund free programs for children and adults. Four meal choices available including Mexican, Central American, Venezuelan and Vegetarian. Individually there will be Pozole (pork) stew at \$4, Aguas frescas at \$3, and Chips/Salsa at \$3. Buy tickets at the door or purchase before to guarantee preferred menu item.

FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Salvation Army Food Bank

331 East Main St., Madison
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays Noon — 1 p.m.
A food giveaway at the red door on east side of building. Bring your own bags.
For more information, call 812-265-2157.

House of Hope Food Pantry

100 East 2nd St., Madison
Tuesdays 5-7 p.m.; Fridays 9-11 a.m.
A food giveaway and distribution at the Jefferson County House of Hope Food Pantry in downtown Madison.
Please arrive at the pantry 15 minutes prior to closing to be served.

North Madison Christian Church Food Pantry

1400 East State Road 62
Saturday, April 26 — 8-10 a.m.
A food distribution at the church on the fourth Saturday of each month (with the exception of holidays).
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CLOTHING DISTRIBUTIONS

Jesus Clothes Closet

Trinity United Methodist Church
412 W. Main St., Madison
Mondays, 9-11 a.m.
Jesus Clothes Closet distributes free clothing to those in need.
For more information, call 812-866-4843.

SENIOR EVENTS

Hanover Senior Citizens Center

Exercising: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is offering free exercising at the Hanover Park Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m.
Lunch: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is serving lunch at noon on Fridays at the Hanover Park Community Center.
Cost is \$5 and RSVP is required by calling 812-498-2894.

Madison Senior Citizens Center

Senior Meals: Lifetime Resources will be providing congregate meals at the Madison Senior Center, 208 West Main St. on Tuesday and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Meals are free for anyone over age 60 with a suggested donation of \$6. Meals are \$6 for anyone under age 60.
Game Days: The Madison Senior Citizens Center hosts weekly card days and Bingo at the Senior Citizens Center in downtown Madison.
The schedule includes Euchre on Mondays and Thursdays from noon until 10 games are completed and Bingo on Tuesday, 10-11:30 a.m.
The games are free and open to senior citizens.

MCHS Band, Community Band opens Lanier concerts May 17

BY THE COURIER STAFF

The annual concert series Music at the Mansion returns to Lanier Mansion State Historic Site for the ninth year, kicking off May 17 with the Madison Consolidated High School Band and Madison Community Concert Band.
The free, family-friendly concerts will take place from 6-8 p.m. on select Saturdays from May through

August on the mansion's north lawn. Attendees are encouraged to pack a picnic and bring a blanket or chair to enjoy the performances.
On June 28, Ed "Sax" Thomas will be performing his soul-stirring blend of jazz and gospel music. On July 26, B.G. Johnson Big Brass Band performs its New Orleans street band. On Aug. 9, Midtown Mad Men will bring their high-energy style and

classic sounds to the stage, featuring hits from rock-and-roll legends like Elvis, Buddy Holly, Johnny Cash and more.
Music at the Mansion concerts are free and open to the public. Visitors may bring food and nonalcoholic beverages to the shows, however no alcohol is permitted. Attendees can go to IndianaMuseum.org to learn more and plan their visit.

MEASLES

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CDC. Measles cases also have been reported in Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia and Washington.
Cases and outbreaks in the U.S. are frequently traced to someone who caught the disease abroad. In 2019, the U.S. saw 1,274 cases and almost lost its status of having eliminated measles.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE MMR VACCINE?

The best way to avoid measles is to get the measles, mumps and rubella vaccine. The first shot is recommended for children between 12 and 15 months old and the second between 4 and 6 years old.
Getting another MMR shot is harmless if there are concerns about waning immunity, the CDC says. People who have documentation of receiving a live measles vaccine in the 1960s don't need to be revaccinated, but people who were immunized before 1968 with an ineffective measles vaccine made from "killed" virus should be revaccinated with at least one dose, the agency said.
People who have documentation that they had measles are immune and those born before 1957 generally don't need the shots because most

children back then had measles and now have "presumptive immunity."
In communities with high vaccination rates — above 95% — diseases like measles have a harder time spreading through communities. This is called "herd immunity."
But childhood vaccination rates have declined nationwide since the pandemic and more parents are claiming religious or personal conscience waivers to exempt their kids from required shots. The U.S. saw a rise in measles cases in 2024, including an outbreak in Chicago that sickened more than 60.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF MEASLES?

Measles first infects the respiratory tract, then spreads throughout the body, causing a high fever, runny nose, cough, red, watery eyes and a rash.
The rash generally appears three to five days after the first symptoms, beginning as flat red spots on the face and then spreading downward to the neck, trunk, arms, legs and feet. When the rash appears, the fever may spike over 104 degrees Fahrenheit, according to the CDC.
Most kids will recover from measles, but infection can lead to dangerous complications such as pneumonia, blindness, brain swelling and death.

HOW CAN YOU TREAT MEASLES?

There's no specific treatment for measles, so doctors generally try to alleviate symptoms, prevent complications and keep patients comfortable.

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BIOGRAPHY

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Orleans. His book, “Shantyboat in the Bayous,” completes the story. Hubbard also wrote two books on his and Anna’s life at Payne Hollow. There is also a book by Wendell Berry titled “Harlan Hubbard: Life and Work.” and by Don Wallis Jr. titled, “Harlan Hubbard and the River: A Visionary Life.”

Whitehead said her book goes back further into Hubbard’s childhood, his early education and his family to provide an idea of “the way he was able to develop as a human, as an artist and as a writer,” explaining that it is “important to understand what he was then able to do with Anna later on in his life.”

She said Hubbard’s family is “really fascinating, his brothers are really fascinating, and those dynamics all play into his development.” His brother, Lucien, produced the film, “Wings,” that received the first Academy Award for Best Picture. Harlan’s other brother, Frank, was a commercial illustrator in New York City. Meanwhile, Harlan Hubbard struggled to find success early in life and was in his 40s when he and Anna took their shantyboat journey, and didn’t become well-known until after that.

“Everybody’s story is so much broader than what we know,” said Whitehead, stating her book is “an attempt to show how big his story is, how relatable he is. I think certainly the way the Hubbard story has been told before makes them a little bit unapproachable in terms ‘I could never do that,’ ‘I could never live off the grid like that.’ One of my goals is to show how relatable” the story of Harlan and Anna actually is, showing “how they struggled with self-doubt and disappointment before they found this blaze of glory that they were able to do together in their Shantyboat journey and their life at Payne Hollow.

“All of us have that capability in us to live up to our greatest potential if we stay true to ourselves and we find people who make us better as people and surround ourselves with people who help us become that person,” Whitehead said. “To me, it was just broadening that story, through that, hopefully making people feel uplifted by this incredible story that came out of

somebody who was actually very frustrated and disappointed for much of his early life because he wasn’t finding the kind of success he would find later on.”

Whitehead is the curator of collections for the Kentucky Derby Musuem, where she recently wrote “The History of the Kentucky Derby in 75 Objects.” She grew up in Wheeling, West Virginia, and wasn’t familiar with Hubbard until attending Hanover College, where she majored in art history and was introduced to his work which the college has a collection of 31 pieces.

That exposure sent Whitehead on a journey — because of her interest in Hubbard’s paintings, his writings and his life — where she encountered people who had met Hubbard and remembered him.

“I was born the year after Harlan died, so I never got to meet Harlan or Anna,” Whitehead said. “I’ve only been able to meet them through the people they knew, the stories that are told, and of course the huge number of manuscripts and letters, artwork that were left behind that I can study and uncover.”

In addition to writing the biography, Whitehead is a founding board member of Payne Hollow on the Ohio that has a mission to restore and preserve Payne Hollow. She’s no longer on that board but continues to manage the artifacts collection and serves as an historical advisor.

“It’s a really wonderful group of people who were very committed” to to preserving Payne Hollow for continued appreciation of the Hubbards’ legacy that goes beyond their story but also “learning about the incredible ecosystem there that supported Harlan and Anna’s life” where they were stewards of the land there.

The long term vision for Payne Hollow encompasses ongoing teaching, research, preservation, meditation and environmental leadership while honoring the memory of Harlan and Anna Hubbard. But “right now the immediate desire is to make sure that there’s something there in the future. It’s very much in the preservation mindset,” she said.

The traveling exhibit is sponsored by Payne Hollow on the Ohio with 10 panels that are double-sided and share the artwork, historic photographs and narrative of Whitehead’s book, “Driftwood: The Life of



Joe Wolek

The interior of the main house where harlan and anna Hubbard settled and lived out their life at Payne Hollow in Trimble County.

Harlan Hubbard.”

Bladen said the Switzerland County Historical Society has complemented the traveling exhibit with the historical society’s artifacts that include a pastel drawing of a shantyboat drawn on cardboard panels in a wooden folding screen. The screen had once been stored at the office of the Vevay Reveille-Enterprise and The Switzerland Democrat, and was donated by Wallis, the newspaper’s former owner and publisher who died in 2012.

Additionally, photos from the collection of Reuben Gold Thwaites are on display, depicting a camping trip down the Ohio River from the Monongahela River in West Virginia to Cairo, Illinois, in a 15-foot rowboat. Hubbard was an admirer of Thwaites, whose photos in the early 1900s documented his travels and observations along the Ohio River.

Also complementing the travel exhibit are a variety of paintings and prints that reflect Hubbard’s love of steamboats.

There are other items on display that celebrate Switzerland County Historical Society’s 100th anniversary including a Muzio Clementi Piano, the first artifact donated in the museum in 1925.

Switzerland County Historical Musuem, 208 East Market St., Vevay, is open Monday through Saturday from noon to 4 p.m., and closed on Sundays.



John Fetting

The entrance to the Payne Hollow homestead of Harlan and Anna Hubbard.



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